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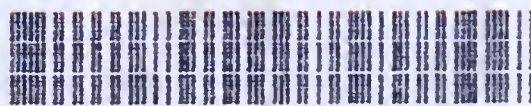
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GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA

ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL

GRAND LODGE

OF THE

MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY

OF

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA

AND

MASONIC JURISDICTION THEREUNTO BELONGING

BEING EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF ITS QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL
GRAND COMMUNICATIONS

DURING THE YEAR A.D. 1910—A.L. 5910

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Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, March 2, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Master.</i>
“ THOMAS H. FENTON . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. DONALDSON . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
“ WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
“ WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . .	
“ JOHN W. CODDING . . .	
“ EZRA C. DOTY . . .	
“ BOYD G. STEEL . . .	

Bro. WILLIAM F. CULLIS . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .		
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . .		
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .		
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .		
" JAMES W. McDOWELL . . .		
" JAMES McLAREN . . .		
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .		
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF . . .		
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .		
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .		
" JOHN J. BOWDEN . . .		
" GEORGE B. FRANTZ . . .		
" EDGAR W. ROBINSON . . .		
" FREDERICK L. SMITH . . .		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .		
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" J. HARVEY HARRISON . . .		
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .		
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .		
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" JAMES H. DARLINGTON . . .		
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .		<i>As Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .		<i>As Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . .		<i>As Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and sixty-seven Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock, P.M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held December 1, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909, and of the Annual

Grand Communication, held December 27, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909, were read and separately approved.

Brother WILLIAM A. SINN was duly installed Right Worshipful Grand Secretary for the present Masonic year ending on Saint John the Evangelist's Day next, was thrice proclaimed as such and received the salutations of the Craft.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. L. Y. a second application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:

BRETHREN:

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-laws and Amendments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 376 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 114, 152, 229, 269, 297, 338, 383, 400, 423, 428, 450, 526, 543, 578, 582, 616, and 624, be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 70 be amended by striking out the words, "is in good standing," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, "paid full dues." And that as so amended it be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 226 be amended as follows : By striking out of the first line the words and figures, "From and after December 27th, 1909." By striking out of the second line the words, "annually," "but," and "present," and inserting after the word "Dollars," the words, "per annum." By striking out of the fourth line the word "consecutive" and inserting after the word "therein," the words, "and paid full dues." And that as so amended, it be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,
A. HOWARD THOMAS,
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,
THOMAS J. NICELY,
Committee on By-laws.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND PUBLISHING.

The Committee on Printing and Publishing made the following report, when, on motion, the request contained therein was granted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Printing and Publishing herewith submit their Annual Report :

Last year we were enabled to present to the Brethren a Volume of Proceedings of more than ordinary interest, including an historic and picturesque display of the various homes our Grand Lodge occupied during its existence.

We are gratified to learn that the Volume has not only been much valued by its recipients, but that it will be a valued treasure in years to come.

The Proceedings to be issued for the year 1909 will be embellished with a portrait of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM BALL, who occupied the East in the years 1761 to 1782 and again in 1795; also a portrait of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother THOMAS KITTERA, who served as Grand Master from 1826 to 1828.

Your Committee ask the privilege of adding to the Proceedings of 1910 the portrait of the present Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, also that of our valued Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG, who has occupied that office since 1908.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted by

M. RICHARDS MUCKLE,

For the Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1910.

Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania be, and are hereby, authorized and directed to execute the agreement pertaining to the vacation and laying out certain roads over property of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania, in the Borough of Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, as described in an ordinance of the Borough Council of Elizabethtown, said agreement to take effect upon the passage and approval of said ordinance.

WHEREAS, The Committee on Masonic Homes has reported that there are some defects in the legal recorded title to two of the tracts of land purchased for the Home, but which the

Attorney examining the title recommended shall be waived and as to the more important of which the Title Company has agreed to insure the title, the other affecting a small undivided interest of but little value, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee be authorized on receipt of the insurance as promised to accept title to said tracts and pay the purchase money as per agreement with the owners.

An appeal was received from a number of members of Lodge No. 460, held at Orangeville, appealing from the action of said Lodge No. 460, on February 26, 1909, on a resolution to remove the Lodge from Orangeville to Benton, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, 10 minutes, P.M.

William A. Sinn
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, June 1, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . .	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ THOMAS H. FENTON . . .	
“ GEORGE HALE . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . .	
“ JOHN FREDERICK BEITEL . . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
“ HOMER E. SPENCER . . .	
“ JOHN G. HESS . . .	
“ EZRA C. DOTY . . .	
“ BOYD G. STEEL . . .	
“ WILSON I. FLEMING . . .	

Bro. JOHN P. MELVIN . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .		
" ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . .		
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH .		
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON .		
" KIMBALL D. BATCHELER .		
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .		
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF		
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .		
" SAMUEL HAMILTON		
" JOHN J. BOWDEN		
" RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . .		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES		
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .		
" RICHARD MONTGOMERY . .		
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY		<i>As Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" JOHN J. BOWDEN		<i>As Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and forty-nine Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held March 2, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, were read and approved.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that the absence of the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary was caused by illness.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that Brother MAX RIEBENACK, Chairman of the Committee

on Finance, a Past Master of Meridian Sun Lodge No. 158, in which Lodge he was initiated October 5, 1869, died May 14, 1910; and that he had appointed Brother ABRAHAM M. BEITLER, Past Master of Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 449, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother RIEBENACK.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from W. B. C. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from H. L. K. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. 575, held at Mercer, requesting the Grand Lodge to transfer to it the cemetery lot No. 159, located in Mercer Cemetery, Mercer, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, which was formerly owned by late Lodge No. 251, and surrendered to the Grand Lodge, when on motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Brothers GEORGE S. GRAHAM, S. KINGSTON McCAY, GEORGE T. OLIVER, GEORGE W. SPIESE, and H. OSCAR KLINE, Trustees to the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge, be and are hereby authorized and empowered to grant and convey to the Trustees of Hebron

Lodge, No. 575, F. & A. M., all the right, title and interest of the Grand Lodge, of, to and in the certain lot or piece of ground, No. 159, in the cemetery of the Mercer Cemetery Association of Mercer, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, said lot having been formerly owned by Hebron Lodge, No. 251, F. & A. M., the warrant of said Hebron Lodge, No. 251, F. & A. M., having been duly vacated and the property of said Lodge, including this lot, having thereby become vested in this Grand Lodge.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from P. L. C. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

In the matter of the appeal of certain Brethren from the action of Oriental Lodge, No. 460, changing the place of meeting, the Committee on Appeals respectfully reports that after consideration of the record, the evidence, and argument, they are of the opinion that the action providing for the change of the stated place of meeting was not in accordance with Section 13 of Article XVII of the Ahiman Rezon.

We therefore recommend that Grand Lodge adopt the following :

Resolved, That the appeal from the action of Oriental Lodge, No. 460, F. & A. M., be sustained.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

MURDOCH KENDRICK,

Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made a report, when on motion the following preamble and resolution attached thereto were unanimously adopted:

The Committee on Finance beg leave to offer the following:

WHEREAS, The grim Messenger of Death has again summoned a Chairman of the Committee on Finance, it is meet and proper that a minute be recorded of the services of Brother MAX RIEBENACK, who passed to the world beyond, on May 14, 1910. He was appointed a member of the Committee on Finance, December 28, 1896, and was made Chairman, November 28, 1904, serving continuously at every meeting of the Committee, until the time of his decease. He was quiet, unobtrusive, gentlemanly and dignified in manner, firm and decided in regard to any question demanding his consideration, with such love for the duties of his position, that he quickly won the confidence, esteem and affection of his Brethren in this Jurisdiction. He was methodical, systematic and precise, correct in the examination of accounts; and his business training, in connection with his natural abilities, made him a most valuable member of the Committee. We sincerely deplore the loss sustained by his death and offer this slight tribute to his memory.

Resolved, That a copy of this minute be suitably engrossed and forwarded to the family of our late Brother RIEBENACK.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-laws and Amendments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 227, 402, and 471 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 62, 114, 143, 197, 253, 256, 261, 263, 307, 353, 388, 424, 470, 597, and 660 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 278 be not approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 408 be amended by striking out of the third line the words "and their successors and assigns," and by striking out of the sixth line the words "public stocks or." And that as so amended it be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,
A. HOWARD THOMAS,
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,
Committee on By-laws.

PHILADELPHIA, May 30, 1910.

Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver unto The Elizabethtown Water Company, a Pennsylvania corporation, a grant or agreement, of which a copy is hereunto annexed, concerning the maintenance of pipes along, in and under the bed of what is known as the Ridge road, in West Donegal Township, Lancaster County, Pa.

WHEREAS, The Elizabethtown Water Company, a Pennsylvania corporation, is at present the owner of a tract or piece of

land, with reservoir thereon constructed, situated on the northwest side of what is known as the Ridge road, in West Donegal Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, adjoining lands late of Margaret A. and Agnes T. Lynch, Martin N. Heisey and Samuel H. Stoner, and now of George S. Graham, S. Kingston McCay, George T. Oliver, George W. Spiese and H. Oscar Kline, Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge, said tract containing three and nine hundred and twenty-five thousandths acres, and

WHEREAS, There are at present certain water mains laid from said reservoir and tract of land along, in and under the said Ridge road, toward and into the Borough of Elizabethtown, said County, and

WHEREAS, Certain proceedings are pending in the Court of Quarter Sessions of Lancaster County, Pa., for the vacation of a certain portion of said Ridge road, including that portion along, in and under which said water mains of said Company are at present laid, and

WHEREAS, The said George S. Graham, S. Kingston McCay, George T. Oliver, George W. Spiese and H. Oscar Kline, Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge, present owners of the lands on both sides of said portion of said Ridge road, are desirous that the said The Elizabethtown Water Company, its successors and assigns, shall continue in the exercise and enjoyment of their present rights and franchises in maintaining and operating their lines of pipes as at present constructed along, in and under the said Ridge road :

Now, Therefore, in consideration of the premises, and for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the said George S. Graham, S. Kingston McCay, George T. Oliver, George W. Spiese and H. Oscar Kline, Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge, paid by the said The Elizabethtown Water Company, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, they, the said George S. Graham, S. Kingston McCay, George T. Oliver, George W.

Spiese and H. Oscar Kline, Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the Grand Lodge, do hereby, for themselves and their successors in office, and assigns, covenant, promise and agree to and with the said The Elizabethtown Water Company, its successors and assigns, that in the event that that portion of the said Ridge road extending from the southwest corner of the tract of land of the said Company to the intersection of said road with the Falmouth turnpike is, with the portion of said Ridge road extending still further westward from said tract of land, ordered to be vacated and closed under and by virtue of the said proceedings now pending, then and in that event the said The Elizabethtown Water Company, its successors and assigns, may at all times hereafter continue to maintain and use its present line or lines of pipe, and any and all renewals thereof, and such additional lines as it may desire to lay, with all necessary stops, cut-offs and other appliances, along, in and under the land at present occupied by said portion of said Ridge road extending from the southwestern corner of said Company's property to its intersection with the said Falmouth turnpike, and may enter upon said land at all times hereafter for the purpose of making any repairs thereto, or of relaying the same, or building any such additional lines; provided, always, that in any repairs or excavating that said Company may find it necessary to make or do said land and property of the said Trustees shall be fully and properly restored and left in a condition equally as good as when such repairs or excavations were commenced.

It is distinctly understood that this grant shall not be operative or of any effect unless the said portion of said Ridge road concerning the vacation of which proceedings are now pending as aforesaid, shall be ordered by the Court aforesaid to be vacated and closed.

A communication was read from D. P., formerly a member of late Lodge No. 501, held at Pleasantville, Pennsylvania, requesting the Grand Lodge to restore him to good Masonic standing. He having paid to

Grand Lodge \$——, the amount he owed late Lodge No. 501, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That his request be granted.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Ephrata, Lancaster County, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

JOHN A. PERRY,
Acting Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, September 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	} <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . .	} <i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ THOMAS H. FENTON . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . .	
“ JOHN FREDERICK BEITEL . . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
“ HOMER E. SPENCER . . .	
“ HOWARD FRANKLIN MARSH . . .	
“ WILSON I. FLEMING . . .	
“ JOHN S. WALLACE . . .	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .	

Bro. JAMES W. McDOWELL . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" JOHN S. SELL		
" JOHN D. CARR		
" JAMES McLAREN		
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ		
" JOHN D. GOFF		
" JOHN J. BOWDEN		
" EDGAR W. ROBINSON		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .		
" CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD . .		
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT . . .		
" THOMAS M. JACKSON		
" WILLIAM B. WOOD		
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF		
" DAVID L. FERRIS		
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" HARRY F. HAWKINS		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" JOHN J. BOWDEN	}	<i>As Grand Stewards.</i>
" JOHN S. WALLACE		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and thirty-five Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock P.M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held June 1, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from G. W. M. a second application for permis-

sion to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from P. S. M. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. McC. P. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from E. B., Jr., a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to remove the suspension of F. W. W., which was, on motion, granted.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY read the following, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted.

At the Quarterly Communication held September 2, 1908, it was, on motion,

“ *Resolved*, Fifth, That while in all probability the current net receipts of the Grand Lodge will be adequate to carry into effect the foregoing resolutions, the Grand Lodge hereby authorizes the issue of Certificates of Indebtedness, in series, from time to time as may be deemed necessary by the Committee on Ma-

sonic Homes and the Committee on Finance of the Grand Lodge, not exceeding \$200,000 each series, the proceeds thereof to be applied to the purchase of real estate in fee simple, in trust for the Grand Lodge, and thereupon to erect and furnish buildings and constructions and to repair and change buildings already erected, as may be deemed necessary by the Committee on Masonic Homes and requisite for a fully equipped Home for dependent Masons, their wives, widows and orphan children, which shall be under the jurisdiction, direction and control of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania.

“Said certificates shall be called the ‘Masonic Home Loan of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania,’ and may be issued in sums of 25, 50, 100 and 500 dollars each, or multiples thereof, to be signed by the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and be redeemable at the pleasure of the Grand Lodge at any time after five years from the respective dates of issue of said certificates and due and payable on and after twenty years from such date, and to bear interest not exceeding 4 per cent., payable half yearly, and the faith and credit of the Grand Lodge are hereby solemnly pledged for the redemption of the same.”

Owing to the changes in the money conditions and the possible money stringency, it has been deemed advisable to offer the following :

Resolved, That the above resolution be amended by striking out the words “to bear interest not exceeding 4 per cent.,” and insert in lieu thereof the words “to bear interest not exceeding 6 per cent.”

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY offered the following preamble and resolution, which were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, The Brethren of Lancaster County have so generously requested that they be permitted to assume the payment of the contract for the reservoir, pumping station, three impounding dams and the necessary connections, at the Masonic

Home, Elizabethtown, Pa., which will amount to about twenty-five or thirty thousand dollars, be it

Resolved, That their very liberal offer be accepted and the unanimous thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to them.

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON offered the following preambles and resolutions, which were, on motion, adopted :

WHEREAS, The Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England, deeming it improper to remain longer under the authority of any foreign Grand Lodge, did on Monday, September 25, A.D. 1786, A.L. 5786, close forever ; and

WHEREAS, The present Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging was on the same day duly formed as a Grand Lodge independent of Great Britain or any other authority whatever ; and

WHEREAS, Monday, September 25, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, will be the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Independence of this Grand Lodge :

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania do celebrate said Anniversary with suitable ceremonies in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Philadelphia, and recommend similar celebrations by the Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction.

Resolved, That a Committee of Twelve, consisting of the Grand Officers and six other Brethren, be appointed to prepare a programme and take charge of such celebration by the Grand Lodge, and suggest a programme for the use of such Lodges as may desire to hold a similar celebration, which must be held within the tiled Lodge Room, banquet excepted.

Resolved, That a Committee of Three, the Grand Master being one, be appointed to invite the presence of the President of the United States, Brother WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, in the Grand Lodge on that Anniversary.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby are, directed to co-operate with regard to financial matters.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:

BRETHREN:

The Grand Secretary herewith presents his annual report of the membership and the number of Lodges in this Masonic Jurisdiction, for the year ending December 27, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909:

Number of Lodges December 27, 1908	. 475	
Lodges constituted during the year 1909	. 2	
Number of Lodges December 27, 1909	. 477	
Membership of Lodges December 27, 1908		88,080
Admitted during the year 1909	. . 604	
Initiated during the year 1909	. . 5,845	
	—————	6,449
Suspended and expelled during the year 1909	. . 566	
Resigned during the year 1909	. . 477	
Deceased during the year 1909	. . 1,370	
	—————	2,413
Increase during the year 1909	. .	4,036
Membership December 27, 1909	. .	92,116

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM A. SINN,
Grand Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The following resolutions attached to the report of the Committee on Finance were adopted:

The Committee on Finance has been advised that the Committee on Masonic Homes has found it necessary to commence work at Elizabethtown in certain preparatory work essential to

be done at this season of the year, and which must be done before more important work can be proceeded with. Their needs will require the expenditure, during the balance of this year, of a sum approximately \$25,000.

After consultation with the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, it has been deemed advisable to recommend to Grand Lodge the negotiation of a temporary loan for the payment of the bills thus to be incurred ; the present condition in the money market making it undesirable to float the permanent loan provided for by Resolution of Grand Lodge, adopted September 2, 1908.

The Committee therefore suggests to Grand Lodge the adoption of the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That for the present needs of the Committee on Masonic Homes, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, authorizes the borrowing of not exceeding Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), the same to be evidenced by notes signed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, to the order of the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, and by him endorsed. Loans to be negotiated as the moneys may be needed at the then current rate of interest, and to mature at such dates as may be agreed on between the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer and the bank or banks loaning the money.

Resolved, That the proceeds of the note or notes thus negotiated be and the same are hereby appropriated to the committee on Masonic Homes, to be drawn in the usual way.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,
FRANK M. HIGHLEY,
WILLIAM M. McCONWAY,
HENRY E. TRIPLER,
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,
Committee on Finance.

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-laws and Amendments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 155, 435, 447, 657 and 663 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 223, 234, 438, 549, and 599 be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,
A. HOWARD THOMAS,
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,
Committee on By-laws.

PHILADELPHIA, September 6, 1910.

Charges against Brother W. S. R., Worshipful Master of Lodge No. —, relative to conducting the official business in his Lodge, made by Brother L. C. W., a member of said Lodge, were laid before the Grand Lodge by the Right Worshipful Grand Master (but not read) and referred by him to the Committee on Appeals.

A communication was read from J. S. H., formerly a member of late Lodge No. 514, requesting the Grand Lodge to restore him to good Masonic standing. He

being clear of the books of said Lodge No. 514, it was,
on motion,

Resolved, That his request be granted.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Hummelstown, Dauphin County, which was on motion referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, P.M.

William A. Sinn
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
" EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	
" SAMUEL A. BOYLE . . .	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . .	
" GEORGE HALE . . .	
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
" WILLIAM M. DONALDSON . . .	
" SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
" GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
" DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
" ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
" JAMES N. RICHARDS . . .	
" JOHN F. BEITEL . . .	
" WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
" WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH . . .	
" THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
" WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . .	
" HOMER E. SPENCER . . .	
" JOHN W. CODDING . . .	

Bro. JOHN G. HESS	
“ EZRA C. DOTY	
“ BOYD G. STEEL	
“ WILSON I. FLEMING	
“ JOHN P. MELVIN	
“ WILLIAM F. CULLIS	
“ DAVID A. SAWDEY	
“ ADRIAN W. MCCOY	
“ JOHN S. WALLACE	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH	
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON	
“ JAMES W. MCDOWELL	
“ JOHN S. SELL	
“ JOHN D. CARR	
“ JAMES McLAREN	
“ KIMBALL D. BATCHELER	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ HOWARD C. FRONTZ	
“ WILLIAM L. SIDLER	
“ JOHN D. GOFF	
“ FRANK C. O'ROURKE	
“ SAMUEL HAMILTON	
“ WILLIAM H. MAXWELL	
“ JOHN J. BOWDEN	
“ RICHARD E. COCHRAN	
“ GEORGE B. FRANTZ	
“ EDGAR W. ROBINSON	
“ FREDERICK L. SMITH	
“ FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES	
“ WILLIAM D. MCILROY	
“ J. HARVEY HARRISON	
“ JAMES W. ROBINS	
“ GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS	
“ WILLIAM B. CHALFANT	
“ FRANK B. LYNCH	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
“ THOMAS M. JACKSON	
“ JOSEPH W. MILES	
“ RICHARD MONTGOMERY	
“ JAMES M. LAMBERTON	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ HARRY F. HAWKINS	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>

BRO. J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Three hundred and ninety-two Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock, 5 minutes, A.M.

This being the time prescribed by the Ahiman Rezon for the annual election of Grand Officers to serve during the ensuing Masonic year beginning on St. John the Evangelist's Day next, the Grand Master appointed tellers, who reported the following Brethren duly elected :

R. W. Grand Master.

Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master.

Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS.

R. W. Senior Grand Warden.

Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

R. W. Junior Grand Warden.

Brother LOUIS A. WATRES.

R. W. Grand Treasurer.

Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG.

R. W. Grand Secretary.

Brother WILLIAM A. SINN.

Committee on Masonic Homes.

Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY,
R. W. Past Grand Master.

- “ DAVID A. SAWDEY,
- “ SPENCER C. GILBERT,
- “ JAMES B. KRAUSE,
- “ JOHN D. GOFF,
- “ DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,
- “ EDWARD W. PATTON.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held September 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws from Lodges, and proposed Amendments to By-laws from Lodges and from the Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from D. E. M. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. K. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. M. D. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. S. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from A. P. T. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund respectfully report for the fiscal year, ending November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910 :

1909.

Nov. 15.	To balance cash per last report	\$1,194.44
	Received from the R. W. Grand Lodge	8,000.00
	From Grand Lodge Library	523.00
	Principal Citizens Elec. Lt. Ht. and P. Co.	4,046.11
	Ground Rents paid off	1,350.00
	Cancellation Fire Insurance Policies	14.40
	Interest on Investments, first half of year	3,010.45
	Interest on Investments, second half of year	3,242.13
		<u>\$21,380.53</u>

CREDITS.

Fidelity Trust Co., rent of box	\$20.00
Almoners, First Class	1,900.00
Almoners, Second Class	1,700.00
Almoners, Third Class	1,700.00
Almoners, Third Class extra	200.00
Almoners, Fourth Class	2,100.00

INVESTMENTS.

\$2,000 Minneapolis Gas	\$2,048.10
2,000 Phila. & Suburban Gas	1,865.83
2,000 Roanoke Trac.	1,885.83
2,000 United Rys. Inv.	1,651.39
4,000 Mahoning & Shenango	3,960.00
Balance,	<u>2,349.38</u>
	<u>\$21,380.53</u>

All securities are deposited in fire-proof vaults of the Fidelity Trust Co., Philadelphia, and are as per lists attached hereto.

GENERAL FUND.

Name of Security.	Par.	Cost.
Aurora, Elgin & Chicago, 1st Ref.		
Mtg. 5 per cent. Gold Bonds . . .	\$11,000.00	\$10,472.88
Borough of Avalon, All. Co., Pa.	5,000.00	4,958.33
Darby, Media & Chester . . .	5,000.00	4,963.75
Lehigh Val. Coal Co. 1st Mtg. . .	4,000.00	4,313.75
Mahoning & Shenango Ry. & Mt. Co.	4,000.00	3,960.00
Union Traction Co., of Indiana . .	2,000.00	1,997.50
Altoona & Logan R. R. Elec. Ry.		
1st 5's	10,000.00	9,471.25
Lehigh Val. R. R. Coll. Tr. Gold 4's	5,000.00	4,672.92
Phila. & Suburban Gas & Elec. 5's	2,000.00	1,865.83
Roanoke Traction & Lt. Co. . . .	2,000.00	1,885.83
Allegheny Val. R. R. Genl. Mtg. 4's	5,000.00	5,023.33
Minneapolis Gas Lt. Co. 1st Gen. Mtg.		
5's	2,000.00	2,048.10
American Pipe Mfg. Co. (The). . .	5,000.00	4,829.86
American Ry. Coll. Tr. 5's . . .	5,000.00	4,745.84
Borough of Oakmont, All. Co., Pa.	5,000.00	5,008.33
Gas Lt. Co., of Augusta, Ga. . . .	12,000.00	10,943.33
Phila. & Elec. Gold Trust 5's . . .	5,000.00	5,112.50
Suburban Gas Co., of Philada. . .	5,000.00	4,822.92
New York Central Equip. Trust		
(1935)	5,000.00	4,889.59
Phila. Co. Consol. Mtg. 5's . . .	5,000.00	4,925.00
United Rys. Inv. Co. 1st Lien Coll. 5's	2,000.00	1,651.39
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	\$106,000.00	\$102,562.23
Cash Balance	999.38	999.38
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	\$106,999.38	\$103,561.61

THOMAS SINGLETON BEQUEST.

Name of Security.	Par.	Cost.
Lehigh Valley Coal Co. 1st Mtg. 5's	\$3,000.00	\$3,251.25
North Springfield Water Co. . . .	500.00	517.36
Union Traction Co. of Indiana . . .	3,000.00	2,997.50
United Ry. Gold 4's	500.00	443.75
United States War Loan (Quarterly)	500.00	500.00
American Pipe Mfg. Co. (The) . . .	500.00	491.46
Electric & Peoples 4's	600.00	604.50
Phila. & Elec. Gold Tr. 5's . . .	300.00	300.75
Phila. Co. Consol. 5's	5,000.00	5,220.00
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	\$13,900.00	\$14,326.57
Mortgages in Philadelphia	7,250.00	7,250.00
Ground Rents in Philadelphia . . .	4,966.67	4,966.67
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	\$26,116.67	\$26,543.24
Cash Balance	1,350.00	1,350.00
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	\$27,466.67	\$27,893.24
Add Securities in General Fund . .	106,999.38	103,561.61
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	\$134,466.05	\$131,454.85
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Fraternally submitted,

STOCKTON BATES,
JOSEPH W. MURRAY,
THEO. E. WIEDERSHEIM,
EDWARD L. PERKINS,
Trustees.

GIRARD BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest respectfully report that they have received, during the fiscal year ending November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910 :

From Interest and Dividends on Investments	\$3,391.57	
From Interest on Deposits of Trustees	35.42	
From Interest on Deposits of Stewards	18.20	
Sale of Scrip, Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co.	9.65	
		<u>\$3,454.84</u>
From Special Appropriation of Grand Lodge		3,000.00
		<u>\$6,454.84</u>
To which add balance November 15, 1909, as per report of Finance Committee		171.92
		<u>\$6,626.76</u>
They have paid during the same period :		
Orders for the use of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund	\$2,800.00	
Paid for \$3,000 Baldwin Locomotive Works 5 per cent. Bonds	3,000.83	
Paid for Subscription to 3 shares Pennsylvania Railroad Stock at \$50 per share	150.00	
Paid for rent of safe in Fidelity Trust Company	5.00	
		<u>5,955.83</u>
Leaving balance November 15, 1910, on deposit in the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities, of		<u>\$670.93</u>

Their accounts and the securities of the Trust have been examined by the Finance Committee and found correct.

Since the last report, your Trustees have purchased \$3,000 Baldwin Locomotive Works First Mortgage 5 per cent. Bonds at a cost of \$3,000.83 ; 3 shares of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company Stock, at a cost of \$150.00.

The total amount of the Fund, at the par value of the securities, is \$80,400, as per schedule annexed.

The annual income of the Fund, exclusive of interest on deposits, is about \$3,300.00.

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of Two thousand eight hundred dollars be, and the same is, appropriated to the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, for the year ending December, 1911, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN L. THOMSON,
EDWARD PERRY,
EDWARD B. SPENCER,
Trustees.

TRUSTEES OF GIRARD BEQUEST.

SCHEDULE OF SECURITIES.

November 15, 1910.

Par.	Description.	Interest Due.	Cost.
\$50,000	City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. 30 Year Loan, due July, 1937	Jan.—July 1	\$50,426.66
8,000	Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. Gold Loan 4's . . .	June—Dec. 12	7,940.00
8,000	Electric & Peoples Traction Co. Stock Trust Cert. 4's . . .	Apl.—Oct. 1	7,663.25

Par.	Description.	Interest Due.	Cost.
\$4,000	Reading Company Gen'l Mtg. 4's, due 1997	Jan.-July 1	\$3,872.50
3,000	Baldwin Locomotive Works 1st Mtg. S. F. 5's	May-Nov. 1	3,000.83
2,000	Lehigh & New Eng- land R. R. Co. Equip. Trust 4½'s, 1923 .	June-Dec. 1	1,870.20
1,000	Philadelphia & Read- ing Terminal 5's, due 1941	Feb.-May } Aug.-Nov. 1 }	1,027.50
1,200	Mortgage on Premises, 5463 Spring Street .	May-Nov. 1	1,200.00
1,950	39 shares Lehigh Coal & Navigation Stock	May-Nov. 27	1,847.04
500	10 shares Continental Pass. Railway Com- pany Stock	Jan.-July 1	1,030.00
750	15 shares Penna. Rail- road Co. Stock .	May-Nov. 30	831.38
<u>\$80,400</u>			<u>\$80,709.36</u>

THOMAS R. PATTON MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund (which was founded by the late Right Worshipful Grand

Treasurer, Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, in memory of his beloved wife, ELLEN H. GRAHAM PATTON), respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910 :

INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1909.			
Nov. 15.	To balance as per report	. . .	\$174.38
1910.			
	To Interest received during the year,		
	Bonds and Mortgages	. . .	297 50
	To Interest, etc., other securities	. . .	4,559.67
	To Interest Bursars' Deposit Account,		
	per W. B. HACKENBURG, R. W. G. T.		29.76
	To Interest, etc., Trustees Deposit Account	22.23
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			\$5,083.54

PAYMENTS.

1910.			
	By 1 year's appropriation for use of Bursars, paid to W. B. HACKENBURG, R. W. G. T.	\$3,500.00
	By 1 year's rent of safe, the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Co.		15.00
	By Accrued Interest on \$3,300 City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. loan bought October 4, 1910	. . . . .	45.10
	By Transferred from Income Account to Capital Account for investment	. . . . .	1,265.00
	By Balance on deposit with the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company	258.44
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			<u>\$5,083 54</u>

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

The securities of the Fund at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, 1909, consisted of securities and mortgages of the par value of \$112,000, which cost		\$113,288.75
Uninvested cash balance		1,703.33
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		\$114,992.08
Less premium on \$2,000 Southern Railway Equipment 4½'s, due and paid October 1, 1910		24.75
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		\$114,967.33
Amount transferred from Income Account to Capital Account for investment		1,265.00
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		\$116,232.33

THE SECURITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS :

Par.	Interest Payable.	Cost.
\$10,000 Lehigh Valley Railway 4½'s	Jan. and July 1	\$10,636.25
1,000 Paterson & Passaic G. & E. L. 5's	Mar. and Sept. 1	1,025.83
5,000 Philadelphia & Erie R. R. 4's	Apr. and Oct. 1	5,037.50
1,000 Philadelphia & Reading Ex. 5's	Apr. and Oct. 1	1,025.00
5,000 Atlantic City Railway 5's	May and Nov. 1	5,387.50
5,000 Citizens' St. R. R., Indianapolis, 5's	May and Nov. 1	5,212.50
7,000 Phila. Electric Gold Trust 5's	Apr. and Oct. 1	6,967.50
5,500 Bond and Mortgage, on 1714 Columbia Ave., at 4½ per cent.	Mar. and Sept. 17	5,500.00

Par.		Interest Payable.	Cost.
\$1,000	Bond and Mortgage, on 243-245 Monroe Street, at 5 per cent.	Feb. and Aug. 28	\$1,000.00
10,000	Electric & Peoples Traction 4's . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	10,000.00
10,000	New York Gas & Elec- tric Light, Heat & Power Company 4's	Feb. and Aug. 1	10,000.00
10,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. First Mtge. 4's .	Apr. and Oct. 1	10,000.00
2,000	Wyoming Valley Coal Company 6's . . .	Jan. and July 1	2,000.00
500	Citizens St. Rwy., Muncie, 6's . . .	June and Dec. 1	500.00
4,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Prior Lien 3½'s	Jan. and July 1	3,735.00
11,000	Schuylkill River East Side 4's . . .	June and Dec. 1	10,725.00
6,000	Northern Pacific R. R. P. L. 4's . . .	Jan. (Quarterly)	6,247.50
5,000	Phila. & Reading Im- provement 4's . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	5,222.50
3,000	Southern Rwy. Equip- ment Trust 4½'s . .	May and Nov. 1	2,983.12
2,000	Lehigh Valley Car Trust 4½'s . . .	Mar. and Sept. 1	1,858.80
2,000	Lehigh Coal & Navi- gation Refunding 4's	Jan. and July 1	2,010.00
8,800	City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. Loan . . .	Jan. and July 1	9,111.13
	Cash (for investment) on deposit with The Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company		47.20
<hr/> <u>\$114,800</u> <hr/>			<hr/> <u>\$116,232.33</u> <hr/>

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is, hereby appropriated to the Bursars of the THOMAS R. PATTON Memorial Charity Fund for the year ending St. John the Evangelist's Day, December 27, 1911, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

Fraternally submitted,

PETER BOYD,
JAMES M. LAMBERTON,
EDMUND D. SCHOLEY,
THOMAS R. PATTON,
JOHN J. R. CRAVEN,
Trustees.

STEPHEN TAYLOR BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest submit the following report of its receipts and investments for the year ending November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

RECEIPTS.

To interest on investments	\$747.40	
To interest on deposits in the West Philadelphia Title and Trust Com- pany	20.16	
To which add balance as per last report	<u>1,365.16</u>	\$2,132.72

DISBURSEMENT.

Cash paid for bond and mortgage on premises, 5618 Walton Avenue, Philadelphia . . .	\$1,200.00
Balance deposited in West Philadelphia T. & T. Co.	\$932.72

The investments are as follows :

Par Value.	Cost.
\$4,000.00 on premises 513 S. 45th St., Phila. .	\$4,054.45
3,500.00 on premises 1101 N. 42d St., Phila. .	3,535.00
2,500.00 on premises 628 S. 52d St., Phila. .	2,500.00
2,200.00 on premises 5212 Fitzwater St., Phila. .	2,200.00
2,000.00 on premises 5561 Pearl St., Phila. .	2,000.00
2,000.00 on premises 1030 Vine St., Phila. .	2,000.00
1,200.00 on premises 5618 Walton Ave. . .	1,200.00
<u>\$17,400.00</u>	<u>\$17,489.45</u>

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.,
SAMUEL W. WRAY,
HENRY W. SMITH,
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,
SAMUEL B. WILLS,
Trustees.

CHARLES JACKSON McCLARY MEMORIAL FUNDS.

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, as follows :

MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR MASONIC HOME.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

There has been no change in the principal account since the report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909.

INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1909.		
Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report . . .	\$5.00
1910.		
Jan. 3.	To six months' interest on City of Philadelphia loan	350.00
July 1.	To six months' interest on City of Philadelphia loan	350.00
		<u>\$705.00</u>

PAYMENTS.

1910.		
Jan. 3.	By Masonic Home on account of income	\$350.00
July 1.	By Masonic Home on account of income	350.00
		<u>\$700.00</u>
Balance on deposit in The Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities . . .		5.00
		<u>\$705.00</u>

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for the Masonic Home at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, consist of \$20,000 City of Philadelphia 3½'s loan of 1934, which cost \$20,475.00

MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR ORPHAN CHILDREN.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1909.		
Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report . . .	\$643.80
1910.		
Nov. 15.	To amount transferred from income account from November 15, 1909, to November 15, 1910	1,271.00
		<u>\$1,914.80</u>

PAYMENTS.

1909.		
Dec. 23.	By cash paid for \$500 City of Phila- delphia 3½ per cent. loan, due 1931	\$482.50
1910.		
Jan. 21.	By cash paid for \$800 City of Phila- delphia 3½ per cent. loan, due 1932	772.00
Oct. 27.	By cash paid for \$600 City of Phila- delphia 3½ per cent. loan, due 1934	564.00
		<u>\$1,818.50</u>
Balance on deposit in The Pennsyl- vania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities . . .		96.30
		<u>\$1,914.80</u>

INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1910.		
Jan. 3.	To six months' interest on \$35,700 City of Philadelphia 3½'s	\$624.75
Mch. 15.	To interest on deposits	4.94
July 1.	To six months' interest on \$37,000 City of Philadelphia 3½'s	647.50
Sept. 1.	To interest on deposits	2.21
		<u>\$1,279.40</u>

PAYMENTS.

1910.		
Jan. 21.	By cash paid for accrued interest on \$800 City of Philadelphia 3½'s .	\$1.63
Oct. 27.	By cash paid for accrued interest on \$600 City of Philadelphia 3½'s .	6.77
Nov. 15.	By total of transfer to principal ac- count from November 15, 1909, to November 15, 1910	1,271.00
		<u>\$1,279.40</u>

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for Orphan Children at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, consist of the following:

Par.		Cost.
\$32,100.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1934	\$32,779.95
1,000.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1923	1,011.25
500.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1914	505.00
2,800.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1931	2,748.50
1,200.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1932	1,165.00
96.30	Cash on deposit in The Pennsyl- vania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities .	96.30
<u>\$37,696.30</u>		<u>\$38,306.00</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PETER BOYD,
LOUIS WAGNER,
GEORGE W. KENDRICK, 3D,
Trustees.

MAXWELL SOMMERVILLE BEQUESTS.

The Trustees of the Maxwell Sommerville Bequests made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Maxwell Sommerville Bequests respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, as follows :

BEQUEST FOR THE PURCHASE OF OBJECTS AND WORKS OF ART.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

There has been no change in the principal account since the report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909.

INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1909.

Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report . . .	\$172.79
Dec. 13.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife, due Dec. 5, 1909	225.00

1910.

Aug. 8.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife, due June 5	225.00
Nov. 1.	To interest on deposits	9.86
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		\$632.65

PAYMENTS.

1910.

April 20.	By Tradesmen's Trust Co., one half of annual rent of box in vault . . .	\$2.50
	Balance on deposit in Tradesmen's Trust Co.	<u>\$630.15</u>

BANQUET BEQUEST.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

There has been no change in the principal account since the report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909.

INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1909.

Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report . . .	\$86.48
Dec. 13.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife, due Dec. 5, 1909	22.50

1910.

Jan. 31.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of A. A. Catanach, due Dec. 10, 1909	36.00
Jan. 31.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of George S. Holland and wife, due Jan. 21	36.00
Jan. 31.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of Jessie Catanach, due Jan. 23 .	18.00
June 15.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of A. A. Catanach, due June 10	36.00
Aug. 1.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of George S. Holland and wife, due July 21	36.00

Aug. 8.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife, due June 5	\$22.50
Aug. 19.	To 6 months' interest on Bond and Mortgage of Jessie Catanach, due July 23	18.00
		<u>\$311.48</u>

PAYMENTS.

1910.		
Jan. 8.	By postage stamps and printed postals	\$2.56
April 20.	By George H. Buchanan Co., circular letters	2.25
April 20.	By Tradesmen's Trust Co., one-half rent of box in vault for year ending April 23, 1911	2.50
May 4.	By George H. Buchanan Co., 50 postals	2.75
May 4.	By Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co., 40 menus	40.00
May 4.	By Jacob Wiener, banquet for 1910	129.40
		<u>\$179.46</u>
	Balance on deposit in Tradesmen's Trust Co.	132.02
		<u>\$311.48</u>

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL FOR THE ART FUND.

The securities at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, consist of a Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife, secured on premises 225 N. 20th Street, and 4408 Locust Street, for \$10,000.00

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL FOR THE BANQUET FUND.

The securities at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, consist of the following:

Bond and Mortgage of James C. Higgins and wife secured on premises 225 N. 20th Street and 4408 Locust Street \$1,000.00

Bond and Mortgage of Adam A. Catanach secured on premises 3103 Germantown Avenue . . .	\$1,600.00
Bond and Mortgage of George S. Holland and wife secured on premises 3438-40 N. Water Street	1,600.00
Bond and Mortgage of Jessie Catanach secured on premises 3466 N. Water Street	800.00
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	\$5,000.00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PETER BOYD,
JAMES I. BUCHANAN,
EDGAR FAH SMITH,
THOMAS C. STELLWAGEN,
Trustees.

THOMAS RANKEN PATTON MASONIC INSTI- TUTION FOR BOYS.

The Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys beg to report as follows for period from November 15, A.D. 1909, A.L. 5909, to November 15, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910 :

CASH ACCOUNT.

1909.		Principal.	Income.
Nov. 15.	Balance	\$5,619.39	\$6,977.15
" 27.	Interest, Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co.		300.00
" 27.	Interest, Citizens St. Ry. Co.		60.00
Dec. 4.	Dividend, Iron Mtn. Car Trust Cts.		62.50

1910.			Principal.	Income.
Jan.	3.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co.		\$12.50
"	3.	Interest, United Railways Gold Tr. Ctfs.		1,640.00
"	3.	Dividend, 13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co.		600.00
"	3.	Dividend, Reading Traction Co.		750.00
"	3.	Dividend, Susquehanna Trust & Safe Dep. Co.		150.00
"	4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line (Apr., 1908)		100.00
"	4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line (Oct., 1908)		100.00
"	4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line (Apr., 1909)		100.00
"	4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line (Oct., 1909)		100.00
"	5.	Interest, Consumers Brewing Co.		230.00
"	5.	Interest, Equitable Ill. Gas Light Co.		75.00
"	5.	Interest, du Pont Int. Powder Co.		125.00
"	5.	Interest, Tonopah & Gold Field R. R. Co.		150.00
"	12.	Interest, Trenton Potteries Co. Funding Ctfs.		400.00
"	14.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		400.00
"	25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co.		200.00
Feb.	7.	Interest, Pittsburg, Cin. Chic. & St. L. R. R. Co.		105.00
"	16.	Six months' interest mortgage, Adam A. Catanach		500.00
Mch.	1.	Dividend, Iron Mtn. Car Trust Ctfs.		62.50

			Principal.	Income.
Mch.	2.	Interest, Webster Coal & Coke Co.		\$1,000.00
Apr.	2.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line		100.00
"	2.	Interest, Suburban Gas Co.		500.00
"	2.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co.		12.50
"	7.	Cash fr. Peter Boyd, Ex. a/c Principal	\$5,000.00	
"	26.	Interest, Trenton Pot. Co. .		200.00
May	2.	Dividend, Phila. & W. Chester Trac. Co.		125.00
"	2.	Dividend, West End Trust Co.		100.00
"	24.	Six months rent St. Louis Terminal Asso.		7,462.47
June	1.	Dividend, Iron Mtn. Car Trust Ctfs.		62.50
"	1.	Interest, Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co.		300.00
"	1.	Interest, Citizens St. Ry. Co.		60.00
"	29.	Cash fr. Peter Boyd, Ex. Balance Principal	3,545.75	
July	1.	Interest, Consumers' Brewing Co.		230.00
"	1.	Interest, du Pont Int. Powder Co.		125.00
"	1.	Interest, Equitable Ill. Gas Light Co.		75.00
"	1.	Interest, Tonopah & Gold Field R. R. Co.		150.00
"	1.	Interest, United Rys. Gold Trust Ctfs.		1,640.00
"	1.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		400.00
"	1.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		300.00
"	1.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co.		12.50
"	1.	Dividend, Reading Traction Co.		750.00

			Principal.	Income.
July	1.	Dividend, Susquehanna Tr. & Safe Dep. Co.		\$150.00
"	1.	Dividend, 13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co.		600.00
"	6.	Six mos. rent St. Louis Ter- minal Asso.		416.99
"	11.	Interest, Trenton Potteries Co. Funding Ctfs.		400.00
"	15.	Norfolk & Portsmouth Trac. Co. SOLD 32 shares	\$640.00	
"	26.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co.		200.00
Aug.	1.	Dividend, Penn Traffic Co.		26.70
"	1.	Interest, Pittsburg, Cin. Chic. & St. L. R. R.		105.00
"	20.	Six mos. interest mortgage Adam A. Catanach		500.00
Sept.	2.	Iron Mountain Car Trust Ctfs. MATURED	5,000.00	
"	2.	Interest, Webster Coal & Coke Co.		1,000.00
"	2.	Dividend, Iron Mtn. Car Trust Ctfs.		62.50
Oct.	3.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Pow- der Co.		12.50
"	4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line		100.00
"	4.	Interest, Suburban Gas Co. .		500.00
"	25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co.		200.00
Nov.	1.	Interest, Phila. & W. Chester Trac. Co.		125.00
"	1.	Dividend, West End Trust Co.		100.00
Net Income Rents Philada. Properties .				4,498.97
Net Income Rents Cincinnati Properties				719.58
Interest on Deposits				162.73
<u>\$19,805.14</u>				<u>\$36,684.59</u>

CREDITS.

	Commissions	Rent	Collec-	Principal.	Expense.
	tions	.	.		
	.	.	.		\$345.97
1909.					
Nov. 23.	Taxes on Lansdale Property				7.77
Dec. 20.	Baker-Vawter Co. Bks. Jour.				
	& Ledger	.	.		57.43
" 20.	Wm. H. Hoskins Co. Book				17.50
" 27.	Care of cemetery lot to				
	12/31/09	.	.		10.00
1910.					
Jan. 5.	\$15,000 City of Phila. 4 per				
	cent. Bonds, due 1939	.		\$15,512.91	
Feb. 2.	Saml. W. Wray, January				
	salary	.	.		25.00
" 16.	Expressage on bonds from				
	N. Y. to Phila. to be regis-				
	tered as to principal	.			9.00
" 26.	Saml. W. Wray, February				
	salary	.	.		25.00
Mch. 24.	Saml. W. Wray, March salary				25.00
Apr. 12.	New Jersey Collateral Inher-				
	itance Tax	.	.		2,633.25
" 26.	Saml. W. Wray, April salary				25.00
May 12.	Road tax on Lansdale prop-				
	erty	.	.		8.79
" 31.	Saml. W. Wray, May salary				25.00
June 16.	\$10,000 Wilkinsburg, Pa.,				
	Bonds	.	.	10,210.42	
" 24.	Saml. W. Wray, June salary				25.00
July 1.	Rent Safe Deposit Box in				
	Tradesmen's Trust Co.	.			17.50
" 20.	\$17,000 City of Philadelphia				
	4 per cent. Bonds, due 1940			17,035.89	
" 28.	Saml. W. Wray, July salary				25.00
Sept. 2.	Saml. W. Wray, August salary				25.00

		Principal.	Expense.
Sept. 29.	Saml. W. Wray, Sept. salary		\$25.00
Oct. 12.	Taxes on 331-401-403-405-407-227 So. 13th St. & 1228 Locust St.		861.39
" 12.	Water rent on 331-401-403-405-407-227 So. 13th St. & 1228 Locust St.		113.85
" 17.	\$7,000 Borough of Prospect Park, Pa., Bonds	\$7,260.75	
" 25.	Saml. W. Wray, October salary		25.00
" 25.	\$1,000 Borough W. Washington, Pa., Bonds	1,003.12	
		<u>\$51,023.09</u>	<u>\$4,332.45</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Cash—principal	\$19,805.14	
Cash—income	<u>36,684.59</u>	\$56,489.73

CREDITS.

Cash—principal	\$51,023.09	
Cash—expense	<u>4,332.45</u>	55,355.54
Balance		<u>\$1,134.19</u>

In addition to the assets above mentioned, the Trustees also hold sixty (60) lots of ground in the City of St. Louis, Mo., no appraisal of which has yet been made. They adjoin or are in close proximity to the lots leased, appearing on Schedule No. 2, hereto attached.

No changes have taken place in securities previously reported as of no value.

SECURITIES—SCHEDULE No. 1.

	Par.	Cost.
Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co. .	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Citizens' Street Ry. Co. . .	2,000.00	2,100.00
Consumers' Brewing Co. . .	11,500.00	4,600.00
du Pont Int. Powder Co. . .	5,000.00	3,750.00
Equitable Illuminating G. L. Co. .	3,000.00	3,180.00
Interstate Rys. Co. . . .	40,000.00	25,000.00
Lake Superior Corporation . . .	1,000.00	500.00
Phila. & W. Chester Traction Co. .	5,000.00	5,850.00
Pittsbg., Cincinnati, Chic. & St. Louis	6,000.00	5,100.00
Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co. . .	5,000.00	4,000.00
Suburban Gas Co.	20,000.00	20,000.00
Tonopah & Gold Field R. R. Co. .	5,000.00	5,000.00
Trenton Potteries Co.	20,000.00	13,000.00
United Rys. Gold Tr. Cdfs. . .	82,000.00	65,600.00
Webster Coal & Coke Co. . . .	40,000.00	40,000.00
City of Philadelphia Bonds due 1938	20,000.00	20,675.00
City of Philadelphia Bonds due 1939	15,000.00	15,506.25
Borough of Wilkinsburg, Pa. . .	10,000.00	10,175.00
City of Philadelphia Bonds due 1940	17,000.00	17,000.00
Borough of Prospect Park, Pa. .	7,000.00	7,168.00
Borough of W. Washington, Pa. .	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bond & Mortgage, Adam A. Cata- nach	20,000.00	20,000.00
du Pont Int. Powder Co., 10 Shares		750.00
Huntingdon & Broad T. M. R. R. Co., 90 Shares		5,400.00
Huntingdon & Broad Top Mountain R. R. & Coal Co., 600 Shares .		12,000.00
National Smelting Co., 2,250 Shares		2,500.00

	Par.	Cost.
Penna. Casualty Co., Scranton, 18 Shares		\$5,805.00
Phila. Mortgage & Trust Co., 5 Shares		150.00
Phila. Rapid Transit Co., 50 Shares		1,700.00
Penn Traffic Co., 534 Shares .		1,335.00
Reading Traction Co., 1,000 Shares		30,000.00
Susquehanna T. & S. D. Co., 100 Shares		12,500.00
13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co., 100 Shares		30,000.00
Trenton Potteries Co., Pfd., 200 Shares		14,000.00
West End Trust Co., 50 Shares .		6,500.00
		<u>\$423,844.25</u>

REAL ESTATE—SCHEDULE NO. 2.

Nos. 1601–1605 Harrison Ave. and No. 1600 Queen City Ave., Cincinnati, O.	\$7,000.00
Nos. 1625–1627 Waverly Ave., Cincinnati, O.	3,600.00
Nos. 331 S. 13th Street and 322 Iseminger Street, Phila., Pa.	7,500.00
No. 1228 Locust Street, Phila., Pa.	9,000.00
No. 227 S. 13th Street, Phila., Pa.	32,000.00
Nos. 401–407 S. 13th Street, Phila., Pa.	20,000.00
Lot Montgomery Twp., adjoining Lansdale, Pa.	1,400.00
Lot Montgomery Twp., adjoining Lansdale, Pa.	1,400.00
Lot Montgomery Twp., adjoining Lansdale, Pa.	900.00
Lease of Lots St. Louis, Mo.	16,600.00
Lease of Lots St. Louis, Mo.	300,000.00
	<u>\$399,400.00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Cash	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,134.19
Safe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	152.50
Securities—Schedule No. 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	423,844.25
Real Estate—Schedule No. 2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	399,400.00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$824,530.94</u>

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
 WILLIAM L. GORGAS,
 J. HENRY WILLIAMS,
 LOUIS A. WATRES,
 EDGAR A. TENNIS,
 GEORGE B. ORLADY,
 DAVID A. SAWDEY,
 SPENCER C. GILBERT,
 JAMES B. KRAUSE,
 JOHN D. GOFF,
 DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,
 GEORGE S. GRAHAM,
 ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,
 PETER BOYD,
 THOMAS R. PATTON,

Trustees.

EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND.

The following statement of the Emergency Relief Fund was made :

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

This fund is invested by the Tradesmen's Trust Company of Philadelphia in first mortgages on improved real estate in the City of Philadelphia bearing interest at not less than 5.4 per cent. per annum, the interest to be credited to the principal on May 15 and November 15 of every year, and under a declaration of trust by the said Company. The whole and any part of said principal and interest is held by the Trust Company subject to the joint draft of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, and Junior Grand Warden, or the joint draft of any three of the named Officers of this Grand Lodge, to be used as an Emergency Relief Fund "in case of woeful distress occurring in any part of the United States or its Provinces, whereby the Masonic Brethren of the locality may require aid and assistance," as provided by a resolution of this Grand Lodge adopted at the Quarterly Communication, held December 7, 1907.

DR.

1909.

Dec. 27.	To balance on hand uninvested	\$909.25
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1910.

Nov. 15.	To cash received for Mortgages paid	2,700.00
	To cash received for interest	428.80
		\$4,038.05

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1910.

May 1.	By cash invested in Bonds & Mortgages as follows:		
	No. 3016 "A" Street, Phila., @ 5.4 per cent. . . .	\$1,100.00	
	No. 2603 Reed Street, Phila., @ 5.4 per cent. . . .	1,500.00	\$2,600.00
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Nov. 15.	Balance in the Tradesmen's Trust Co., Phila. . . .		\$1,438.05
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SECURITIES.

The securities are Bonds and Mortgages on real estate in Philadelphia.

No. 1534 South 55th Street . . .	\$2,200.00	
" 1501 South Allison Street . . .	2,500.00	
" 2520 South 10th Street . . .	1,500.00	
" 2518 South 10th Street . . .	1,500 00	
" 3016 "A" Street	1,100.00	
" 2633 Garrett Street	1,000.00	
" 2603 Reed Street	1,500.00	\$11,300.00
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Since November 15, 1910, the sum of eleven hundred dollars has been invested in a Bond and Mortgage on premises situate No. 3026 "A" Street, City of Philadelphia.

COMMITTEE ON LANDMARKS.

The Committee on Landmarks made the following report, with recommendations to the Grand Master, which were on motion adopted :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :

BRETHREN :

1. A building was erected and owned by an incorporated association called "The Masonic Temple Association," all the common stock of which is owned by Masonic Lodges, Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies, and all the preferred stock (which has no voice or vote in the management of the building) is owned by Masons, members of Lodges owing allegiance to this Grand Lodge. This building has been designated and publicly proclaimed by the Association as a Masonic Temple, and the Grand Master, at the request of the Association, laid the cornerstone with Masonic ceremonies and proclaimed it as the cornerstone of a Masonic Temple. The Committee is of the opinion that, under the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge and the decisions of Grand Masters, the Grand Master should refuse to sanction a lease of a portion of the building to the "Mystic Shrine"—the Grand Lodge having refused Masonic recognition to that Order.

VISITORS.

2. The Committee recommended that after St. John's Day next Lodges be authorized and required to issue to members receipts for dues, signed by the Secretary, with the seal of the Lodge attached; and that a visitor, not Masonically known and vouched for, to a Lodge, shall be required to produce such a receipt for dues for the preceding year before he is examined.

LODGE NOTICES.

3. The Committee is of the opinion that the display of Masonic emblems on Lodge notices, as practiced by many Lodges, is un-Masonic, and that the use of notices bearing emblems

should be prohibited, unless and until they have been submitted to, and approved by, the Grand Master, and that notice to this effect be issued by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
GRAND MASTER,
Chairman.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Finance respectfully reports that it has examined the accounts and securities of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the General Fund of \$999.38, and of the Singleton Bequest of \$1,350.00 ;

Trustees of the Girard Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$670.93 ;

Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the Principal Account of \$47.20 and of the Income Account of \$258.44 ;

Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$932.72 ;

Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds, showing a balance on hand of the Masonic Home Bequest of \$5.00, and of the Bequest for the benefit of Orphan Children of \$96.30 ;

Trustees of the Maxwell Sommerville Bequests, showing a balance on hand of the Income Account of the Art Fund of \$630.15, and of the Income Account of the Banquet Fund of \$132.02;

Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys, showing a balance on hand of \$1,134.19;

The Emergency Relief Fund, showing a balance on hand of \$1,438.05, and the invested Principal \$11,300.00;

The accounts and vouchers of the Superintendent of the Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge, showing a balance on hand of \$692.35.

The transactions of these Trusts and Committees are fully set forth in their respective reports to the Grand Lodge.

The Committee has also examined the books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer, and of the Grand Secretary, including the Ledger of the latter, which has been compared with the Balance Sheet submitted by him, and found to agree.

The books of the Grand Secretary, for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1910, show as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Rents	\$42,880.00
Ten per cents.	352.50
Initiations	11,577.00
Dues	92,372.76
Piano rent	2,000.00
Dispensations, District Deputy Grand Masters .	14,350.00
Dispensations, Grand Secretary	7,770.00
Warrants for new Lodges	800.00
Grand Lodge Certificates	952.00
Ahiman Rezons	372 00
Mileage, not used, returned by Grand Treasurer .	548.05
Expenses Grand Master, returned by GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.	1,031.82
Committee on Temple, Current Account	6,811 94
Committee on Temple, Improvement Account	1,974.32
Library Charity Fund	1,420.44

Loan Third National Bank	\$20,000.00
Masonic Homes Fund	504.48
Committee on Library	1,558.52
Interest on Deposits	1,105.70
Farm Leases	1,262.22
Lancaster County Freemasons donation to Ma- sonic Homes Fund	600.00
Total receipts	\$210,243.75
All of which has been paid to Grand Treasurer, and his receipt taken therefor.	
To which add cash on hand November 15, 1909	91,989.62
Making a total of	\$302,233.37

PAYMENTS.

By Grand Treasurer, on orders of Grand Master :

Salaries	\$17,158.32
Expenses Grand Lodge	6,460.96
Expenses Grand Master	1,875.00
Expenses District Deputy Grand Masters .	4,075.87
Committee on Temple	35,000.00
Committee on Library	9,000.00
Committee on Correspondence	500.00
Committee on Masonic Homes	1,996.02
Library Charity Fund	1,490.51
Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys	50.00
Masonic Home of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia (Corporation)	10,000.00
Mileage	4,700.00
Grand Lodge Charity Fund	5,523.00
Girard Bequest	3,000.00
Almoners Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . .	3,000.00
Grand Lodge Certificates	416.25
Third National Bank, Payment of Loan .	15,000.00

Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge . . .	\$168,889.63
Ahiman Rezons	163.13
Interest	64.58
Total payments	<u>\$288,363.27</u>
Leaving a cash balance on hand, November 15, 1910	13,870.10
Making a total of	<u><u>\$302,233.37</u></u>

We present the following estimate of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1911 :

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Rents	\$45,000.00
Initiations	10,000.00
Dues	90,000.00
Dispensations	20,000.00
Total estimated receipts	<u>\$165,000.00</u>
To which add cash on hand November 15, 1910	13,870.10
Making a total of	<u><u>\$178,870.10</u></u>

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

Expenses Grand Master	\$5,000.00
Expenses District Deputy Grand Masters . . .	4,000.00
Mileage to Representatives in the Grand Lodge .	5,000.00
Expenses Grand Lodge	7,500.00
Salaries : Grand Treasurer and Clerk, Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Secretary, Clerks to Grand Secretary, Clerk to Com- mittee on Finance, Secretary of Grand Master, Grand Tyler for all services as Grand Tyler, Instructor in Masonic Work, and Contingencies subject to order of Com- mittee on Finance	18,250.00

Committee on Temple :

Salaries	\$16,000.00	
Window Cleaning	360.00	
Laundry	150.00	
Hauling Ashes	300.00	
Electric Lighting	8,000.00	
Coal	1,800.00	
Ice	300.00	
Telephone	600.00	
Furniture Repairs	3,700.00	
Machinery Repairs	1,500.00	
Building Repairs	3,000.00	
Electric Work	750.00	
Miscellaneous	550.00	
Petty Cash	100.00	
Water Rent	400.00	
Insurance	300.00	
Painting and Framing Portraits of Grand Masters	2,000.00	
		\$39,810.00

Committee on Library :

Salaries :

Librarian	\$2,400.00	
Assistant	1,200.00	
Helper	600.00	
Watchman	432.00	
Extra Help	168.00	
Publications	500.00	
Periodicals	125.00	
Binding Periodicals	200.00	
Binding Books	500.00	
Purchase of Books	600.00	
Antiquities	2,000.00	
Cataloguing	600.00	
Telephone	\$100.00	
Expressage	100.00	
Stationery & Printing	100.00	
Petty Cash	100.00	
Postage	50.00	450.00
		9,775.00

Committee on Correspondence	\$500.00
Trustees of Girard Bequest	3,000.00
Trustees of Grand Lodge Charity Fund	5,000.00
Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund	3,500.00
Transient Relief	100.00
Special Appropriation Committee on Masonic Homes for expenses of the Committee	2,000.00
Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, provided that only so much of said appropriation as may be necessary to meet any deficit in the operations of the said Masonic Home, shall be paid to the Corporation after the close of its fiscal year November 30, 1911	10,000.00
Payment of Loan to Third National Bank	5,000.00
Total estimated expenditures	\$118,435.00
Leaving an estimated balance November 15, 1911	60,435.10
Making a total of	<u>\$178,870.10</u>

Since closing the books at the end of the fiscal year November 15, 1910, there has been paid to the Grand Lodge by Mount Moriah Lodge No. 300 of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, the sum of \$500, most of which was individual contributions by members, "to be expended by the Committee on Masonic Homes in the planting of an orchard of fruit trees on a selected site on the Masonic Home property of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, at Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania."

The Committee offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the estimated balance of \$60,435.10, for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1911, is hereby appropriated to the Committee on Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge, to be applied in payment of bills for work at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, payments to be made by the Grand Treasurer, on orders drawn by the Grand Master, on bills approved by the Committee, provided, however, that the Grand Master may authorize

the payment of a sum each month to the Committee, to meet current expenses at the Masonic Homes, such moneys to be disbursed by the Committee.

Resolved, That the Grand Master be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to draw orders on the Grand Treasurer for the several appropriations for the year 1911, as are herein specified.

The Grand Secretary has furnished the Committee with a Balance Sheet of Grand Lodge, as of November 15, 1910, and also one after the closing entries of the year have been made, which is appended hereto and made part of this report.

Balance Sheet, November 15, 1910, after closing entries for the fiscal year ending this day have been made :

DEBITS.

Due by Lodges for dues and rent	\$5,428.50
Due by Chapters, Commanderies, etc., for rent	4,029.67
Library Charity Fund	197.94
Cash	13,870.10
Real Estate	1,696,376.95
Improvement of Temple	486,858.14
Trustees Thomas R. Patton Masonic Institution for Boys	783,964.39
Grand Lodge Charity Fund	101,932.96
Girard Bequest	80,480.45
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund	114,992.08
Thomas Singleton Bequest	27,893.24
Stephen Taylor Bequest	17,654.61
Charles J. McClary Memorial Funds Bequest Number 1	20,475.00
Charles J. McClary Memorial Funds Bequest Number 2	37,035.00
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Art Fund	10,000.00
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Banquet Fund	5,000.00

Emergency Relief Fund	\$11,909.25
Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for	
Boys	1,278.47
Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge	168,889.63
	<u>\$3,588,266.38</u>

CREDITS.

Due to Lodges (excess payment of dues)	\$114.58
Old Fixtures	878.03
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania	3,579,681.07
Mary Huston	100.00
Farm Leases at Masonic Homes site	1,262.22
Third National Bank	5,000.00
Lancaster County Freemasons Donation Masonic	
Homes Fund	600.00
Masonic Homes Fund	630.48
	<u>\$3,588,266.38</u>

All of which is fraternally submitted,

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,
FRANK M. HIGHLEY,
WILLIAM McCONWAY,
HENRY E. TRIPLER,
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,
Committee on Finance.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the proposed By-laws and proposed Amend-

ments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of the Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, Sections 4, 12, 13 and 16 be approved, and that Section 7 be not approved.

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 91, 300, 367, and 620 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 307 be amended as follows :

Article IV, Section 1, by striking out in the second line the figures "\$10.00 " and inserting in lieu thereof the figures \$15.00, and that as so amended they be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 665 be returned to that Lodge with directions to adopt By-laws in conformity with the form approved by the Grand Master.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 21, 59, 135, 258, 278, 375, 380, 391, 464, 504, 526, 551, 573, 618, 629, 641, 644, and 656 be approved.

Resolved, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 259, the proposed Amendments to Article III, Sections 5 and 6, Article VI, Sections 1 and 4, be approved ; that the proposed Amendment to Article III, Section 3, be not approved ; that said Section be amended by striking out the words and figures "twelve (\$12.00) dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "He shall be exempt from dues"; that the proposed Amendment to Article VI, Section 3, be not approved, and that said Section be amended by striking out the words and figures "five (\$5.00) dollars," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one year's dues"; that the proposed Amendment to Article XI, Section 2, be approved with the exception of the first item, which reads "the whole amount paid for life membership."

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 526 be amended by striking out the words "an honorary" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a life," and that as so amended it be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 541 be amended to read Article III, Section 4, instead of Article IV, Section 4, to conform with the By-laws and that as so amended it be approved.

Resolved, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 163, the proposed Amendment to Article VI, Section 2, be approved ; that the proposed Amendment to Article III, Section 3, be not approved, and that the Lodge be directed to amend its By-laws by making the salary of the Secretary a fixed annual amount.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 233 be returned to the Lodge that they may insert the number of Article and Section.

Resolved, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 562 be returned to the Lodge with directions to make the salary of the Secretary a fixed annual amount.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,
A. HOWARD THOMAS,
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,
Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPLE.

The Committee on Temple made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The Committee on Temple respectfully submits the following report of its receipts and expenditures for the year ending November 15, 1910:

The amount appropriated by Grand Lodge to the Committee on Temple for the year 1910 was \$36,348.00 and the accounts in the different items were adjusted to meet the new forms of accounting submitted by the Grand Master.

Orders were drawn February 1, 1910, for the balances in the Current and Improvement Accounts and paid over to the Grand Secretary, taking his receipt therefor; leaving nothing in the hands of the Treasurer of this Committee.

Expenditures amounted to	.	.	.	.	\$36,794.35
Appropriation	.	.	.	.	36,348.00
Amount expended above the appropriation	.				<u>\$446.35</u>

The following contracts were entered into during the year:

Heating Gothic Hall and repairing radiators and pipes.

Veils for the South West Tower.

Cleaning exterior of building on Juniper Street.

Elevator pump.

Painting Gothic Hall.

Ice.

Coal.

Two cabinet organs.

Repairing roof.

Repairing elevator pump.

Telephone.

Spiral stairway for store-room of the Library.

Brass rods for hanging portraits, placed in the south corridor.
Settees for Corinthian, Renaissance, Ionic, Egyptian, Norman,
and Oriental Halls.

Report for the year ending November 15, 1910 :

Balance on hand November 15, 1909 .		\$8,531.03
1909, November pay roll .	\$598.94	
1909, December pay roll .	1,500.90	
1910, January pay roll .	1,193.78	
1909, December, sundry bills	1,506.97	
1910, January, sundry bills .	1,541.88	
		<u>6,342.47</u>
		\$2,188.56
Jan. 31, 1910, Interest on deposits .	\$33.26	
Aug. 19, 1910, Rebate on Bell tele- phone	42.00	
		<u>75.26</u>
Feb. 1, 1910, Balance paid over to the Grand Secretary		<u>\$2,263.82</u>
Appropriation for 1910		\$36,348.00

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries and wages	\$15,838.49
Window cleaning	360.00
Laundry	134.50
Hauling ashes	311.77
Electric lighting	7,400.40
Coal	1,486.78
Ice	226.56
Telephone	664.75
Furniture repairs	4,017.14
Machinery "	1,520.36
Building "	3,344.90
Electrical work	262.38

Miscellaneous	\$534.00	
Petty cash	65.62	
Water rent	400.00	
Insurance	226.70	
Amount expended above appropriation .		\$446.35
	<u>\$36,794.35</u>	<u>\$36,794.35</u>

Respectfully submitted,

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THOMAS L. LATTA,
CHARLES CHIPMAN,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

The Committee on Library made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :

BRETHREN :

This duty of accounting to you by your Library Committee is to make permanent record that your plans for a great Masonic Library and historic Masonic Museum, were neither visions nor riddles.

Each member of your Committee is deeply interested and is actively serving in promoting the work of your Committee.

The work of the past year has continued the classifying and cataloguing, and, to the extent of the money appropriated by the Grand Lodge, in collecting works that have added to the importance of the Library and Museum. The preservation of old and rare books has been conserved by rebindings. The Reading Room has taken on a new interest, because of its unequalled collection of periodicals of home and foreign publications.

It will be remembered that the Library is purely a Masonic Library and that this is to be considered in comparing it with public or other libraries.

The exact number of bound books now on our shelves is 10,105.

Your Committee has also charge of printing and distributing the reprint of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and at present there are on hand volumes numbering fully 8000.

Independent of the foregoing we have 25,000 copies of Proceedings of various Masonic bodies throughout the world for reference use of our members.

Almost all of these are in more or less active demand from members and reciprocating Grand and Subordinate Lodges in this and other countries.

The increasing number of members, and the manifest intelligence of those who are using the Library and Museum to obtain ideas and knowledge of the old Masonic life and practice, and material, facts and suggestions to add to the interest of the work of the Lodges, encourages your Committee to believe that the usefulness of its work is being better appreciated each year by all the Brethren.

The Library and Museum can certainly help the Brethren to constant enthusiasm in their work.

One careful estimate of an expert places the present value of the Library and collection of the Museum—yet comparatively small—at more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars, and another expert has said, considering the many unduplicatable volumes of the Masonic Library and its infant Museum, their value is One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars—practically as much money as the \$156,793.00 paid for the ground on which this building stands.

An interesting collection has recently been made of the portraits of the Grand Masters of the various Grand Lodges at home and abroad, together with the seals of the various Grand Lodges, all of which will be on exhibition during this Communication until St. John's Day next.

Many of the loose manuscripts and broadsides belonging to

the Grand Lodge have also been classified, mounted and indexed, virtually making the set of Proceedings of our Grand Lodge complete from 1790 to the present time.

For the present Communication, an exhibition has been arranged of a series of photographs showing the construction of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia, from a series of negatives taken at the time, viz., 1868–1873, illustrating the various stages, from the laying of the corner-stone until its completion. Sketches of the competitive designs are also shown.

One of the chief objects of the Committee for the past three years has been the search for data relating to all of the various Masonic Lodges and bodies under this Jurisdiction. This material has been carefully classified, arranged and bound, and forms the nucleus for a great Historical Masonic Collection, which is already unsurpassed by any similar one in the Masonic world.

During the coming year your Committee proposes, with the consent of the Right Worshipful Grand Master, making ready for publication an account and history of the various—

“Lodges warranted by the R. W. Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania, both modern and ancient, during the XVIII Century, of such Lodges as have become extinct or are now incorporated with other Grand Jurisdictions.”

When completed this will be a work of great value to the historic student.

Among the important accessions to our Library collection we will but mention Chantry's busts of SIR WALTER SCOTT and LORD BYRON, an engraved portrait of WASHINGTON by St. Menmien, a facsimile of the gavel used by FREDERICK the GREAT of Germany and subsequently by the EMPEROR WILHELM I and FREDERICK, a cast from Tablet of Herod's Temple, together with the bequest of late Brother ALEXANDER H. MORGAN of Lodge No. 19, consisting of a large silver loving cup, framed portrait of WASHINGTON and P. G. H. P. jewels. Also the Masonic jewels of late Brother AUGUSTUS R. HALL, presented by his son. Also of JOHN S. STEVENS and RICHARD BACON, presented by JOHN S. STEVENS, a son and grandson.

The rising importance of our valuable Library and the growing collections of the new Museum, place your Grand Lodge in a commanding position because of the educational opportunities and object lessons presented, not only to the students of Masonry, but to those who study the progress of our country and are becoming acquainted with the more and more established fact of the honorable and distinguishing part that Masons have had to do in building up its citizenship.

The statesmanship of Masonry has played no small part in America's growth and greatness, as will be seen by the portraits and records of Masonic work done by the men of large vision, great unity, and splendid inspirations who have lived with the music of its noblest brotherhood. It can easily be proven that our Masonic Brethren have been nation makers, as well as Masons, ever since the old liberty bell pealed out our freedom from Independence Square.

Right Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge, your Library and Museum can assist you in vitalizing the entire membership of our State.

We can do it as well in seven years, if you wish it, instead of taking twenty-five years at our present pace. It is a matter wholly of large outlook, of enterprise, and of money.

Your Committee is your obedient servants as to time, locations and expenditures. The far-too-small quarters in which the Library was installed when this magnificent but now inadequate building was planned, greatly cripple the work. Some good day is coming for the Nation, when the kindling revival of love for Masonry spreads over the country, the old statesmanship of our Pennsylvania founders, who established this stately Hall of Peace, Good Will and Brotherliness, will rise with new statesmanship to legislate up to the new dignities and present needs of this great Fraternity which has outgrown the building since the population of the United States has practically doubled since the Centennial.

In conclusion, your Committee respectfully asks for your consideration in granting them additional space in this building, equal, if possible, to double of the area now occupied by the

Library and Museum, that there may be unburied from our storage shelves, installed, and safely lodged, the priceless treasures of Masonic literature, relics, emblems and historical works of the Fathers of Masonry.

The Library and Museum in the Temple of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the work therein of the honorable officials and Lodges in this building in Philadelphia are making this Temple a place of holy ground to the Masonry of the world, and it is possible for it to become to the Masonic heart at least a National and International edifice only second to Independence Hall—the Mecca of all patriots the world over.

RECEIPTS.

Cash Balance November 15, 1909		\$1,715.48
Cash received of Charity Fund from Nov. 15, 1909, to Feb. 15, 1910		237.49
Cash from Grand Lodge, Massachusetts, for letter book		88.77
Cash from A. & A. S. R. for binding		50.00
Cash from sale of Proceedings	\$3.00	
Cash from sale of Vol. 1 History	18.00	
Cash from sale of Vol. 2 History	30.00	
Cash from sale of Carmick Const.	5.00	
Cash from sale of Anderson Const.	10.50	
Cash from sale of Reprint Minutes	31.00	
Cash from sale of Albums	344.50	
Cash from sale of Postals	18.25	
Cash from sale of Illustrations	184.00	
Cash from sale of Miscellaneous	11.81	
		<hr/> 656.06
Cash from Interest		13.89
		<hr/> \$2,761.69
Cash from Grand Lodge Appropriation		7,530.75
		<hr/> \$10,292.44

EXPENDITURES.

By Salaries	\$4,620.00	
By Publications	756.25	
By Periodicals	141.25	
By Periodicals, binding	169.90	
By Books, binding	416.71	
By Books, purchased	235.63	
By Antiquities	1,336.89	
By Cataloguing	657.85	
By Stationery and Printing	195.06	
By Telephone	66.55	
By Express	24.09	
By Petty Cash	43.11	
By Postage	44.70	
By Miscellaneous	15.24	
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		\$8,723.23
By Cash paid to Grand Secretary		1,509.21
By Cash paid to binding A. & A. S. Rite		50.00
Cash in bank as per book		10.00
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		<u>\$10,292.44</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WANAMAKER,
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 SAMUEL W. LATTA,
 CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD,
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Committee on Library.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOMES.

The Committee on Masonic Homes made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Masonic Homes submits its annual report as follows :

By our last report of December 27, 1909, we informed this Grand Lodge, that, pursuant to the authority granted to the Committee by resolution of December 2, 1908 (Pro. 1909, p. 120), we had selected a site for a Masonic Home, to be under the jurisdiction and control of this Grand Lodge, admission to which is to be free of all money charges, fees, or subsequent considerations, and subject to such rules and regulations as may be from time to time made and enacted by this Committee on Masonic Homes, and approved by this Grand Lodge, so as to be a fully equipped Home for dependent Masons, their wives, widows and orphan children.

The reasons for selecting that place and the extensive acreage, were given at length at that time. Our subsequent examination of the locality and its surroundings has confirmed the judgment of the Committee in so doing. We insert a brief description of this property, as taken from our last report, as follows :

“After giving full consideration to every argument suggested in favor of every location offered, the Committee unanimously decided to accept the site near Elizabethtown, in West Donegal Township, Lancaster County.

The town of Elizabethtown is on the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and 50,000 members of the Fraternity are within three hours' railroad communication with this place, which is 17 miles east from Harrisburg ; 19 miles west from Lancaster, with which city it is connected by a trolley system, and 87 miles west from Philadelphia.

Thirty-four westbound passenger trains and thirty-four east-bound passenger trains pass this point daily, of which a reasonable number make regular stops, and we are assured that additional facilities will be provided as the demands and convenience of travel may require, as well as a material change in station facilities.

There are seven Subordinate Lodges, with more than eleven hundred members in Lancaster County, and the Brethren of that locality will be actively concerned in aiding the project in every practical way.

Ministers of all denominations will cheerfully co-operate and render such religious services as may be required.

The property is on the southern side and in clear view from the Pennsylvania Railroad for about three-quarters of a mile of track.

The general exposure is a southern and eastern slope, there being 250 feet of difference in elevation between the lowest and highest points, the highest being 640 feet above tidewater, and it is the highest railroad point between Philadelphia and Harrisburg.

The eastern boundary is a public highway which adjoins the Pennsylvania Railroad station, so that on alighting from the train, we are at our own property, and all transfer by trolley, carriage, omnibus, or use of public roads is avoided. The northern boundary is the Elizabethtown and Falmouth Turnpike. The southern boundary is mainly the old Bainbridge Road, and the western boundary is an adopted and consentable line which has been definitely agreed upon and arranged with the adjoining owners. These boundaries reduce to a minimum the danger of objectionable neighbors and business.

The prevailing winds are from the west, so that the smoke, soot and odors incident to the operation of a trunk line railroad are carried away from the premises.

The Susquehanna River is five miles distant, and the locality is singularly free from fog and humid conditions. The general healthfulness of the neighborhood is attested by the State Board of Health, which was specially consulted before a conclusion was reached.

There are on the premises eighteen never-failing springs which after the exceptional drouth of the last year, and with the water at the lowest volume ever known, furnished continually about 180,000 gallons per day. The source of all these springs being from a sandstone and shale ridge entirely on the premises, insures for the future a permanent and abundant supply of soft, pure water which will be absolutely free from artificial contamination. These waters may easily be assembled at a central point, and from thence pumped to a reservoir on the highest ground, and from thence distributed by gravity to every point on the premises. An analysis of the water of the different springs demonstrates that it is uniform in quality, and as good and pure for all domestic purposes as any of the famous health resorts of the country.

Conoy Creek is on the southeastern boundary line (the title includes this stream for the distance of 3600 ft.) and flows 900,000 gallons per day, so as to furnish a convenient and safe outlet for such sewage disposal as may be required by the laws of the Commonwealth."

The names of the grantors, acreage, and price paid for the several tracts are shown by a schedule attached, page 108.

The taxes for the current year amounted to . . .	\$532.01
The assessed valuation of the land is . . .	59,859.00
The total cash purchase price was . . .	135,297.91

The title to the property has been insured by the Commonwealth Title Insurance and Trust Company of Philadelphia.

The buildings are all insured in the Mount Joy Mutual Fire Insurance Company for \$36,685.00, as per list hereto attached, page 109.

There are 800 acres of arable land in the highest state of cultivation, and 166.741 acres of wood and pasture land of superior quality.

Seventy-five acres of this wood land have been carefully cleaned, grubbed and sprouted under the direction of experienced

foresters, by which all débris and underbrush have been removed; all danger from forest fires has been eliminated, and at the same time the growth of valuable young timber and ornamental trees has been encouraged and preserved.

In one section of this native timber, a beautiful grove has been arranged as a picnic resort, by having a spring opened, and necessary buildings erected of a convenient and inexpensive character.

The cultivated land was leased to tenants upon the usual terms of the locality, and a statement of the rentals and sales of products has been exhibited to and verified by the Committee on Finance.

The Borough of Elizabethtown graciously vacated a public street, which was located within our property lines, and in lieu thereof, we are to construct a public highway along our northern boundary.

A public road, heretofore existing for many years through the entire length of the property, has been regularly vacated by proceedings in the Courts of Lancaster County; in substitution of which we have constructed a public highway along the southern boundary line.

The buildings on the property have been changed and repaired as was deemed necessary to preserve and utilize them for new purposes.

One known as "The Headquarters," at the railroad station, was rearranged so as to adapt it to the wants of the Committee, and is now used as such by the Committee and members when there.

Another known as "The Guest House" has been remodeled and improved by placing therein a proper heating, lighting, plumbing and laundry system and is now temporarily used as an emergency Guest Home, having a capacity for thirty-five (35) persons. A comfortable smoking and reading room for men will be erected adjacent to the Guest House.

There are now comfortably housed and maintained therein eleven (11) persons, whose emergency of distress so appealed to the Committee, that prompt provision for their maintenance has

been made. A record of the name, age, sex and Lodge recommending their admission is as follows :

WILLIAM M. GEESAMAN, age 62 years,
Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315, Shippensburg, Pa.
Arrived June 25, 1910.

CYRUS N. CHILDS, age 74 years,
Mahoning Lodge No. 516, Danville, Pa.
Arrived July 8, 1910.

CHARLOTTE E. CHILD, age 64 years,
Widow of Sullivan Child, Ashara Lodge No. 398, Marietta, Pa.
Arrived July 13, 1910.

CAROLINE GALTON, age 64 years,
Widow of Joseph P. Galton, Montgomery Lodge No. 19, Phila., Pa.
Arrived August 18, 1910.

JOHN HULL (*Past Master*), age 74 years,
Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pa.
Arrived September 22, 1910.

CADWALLADER G. McMULLEN, age 74 years (blind),
JANE McMULLEN (*wife*), age 64 years,
Apollo Lodge No. 386, Philadelphia, Pa.
Arrived October 24, 1910.

CHARLES READ, age 76 years,
MARY JANE READ (*wife*), age 64 years,
Excelsior Lodge No. 491, Philadelphia, Pa.
Arrived November 8, 1910.

THOMAS W. ROBINSON, age 76 years,
Lodge No. 9, Philadelphia, Pa.
Arrived December 1, 1910.

CHARLES GOODMAN, age 74 years,
Christiana Lodge No. 417.
Arrived December 5, 1910.

The Committee has under consideration several other applications.

A system of forestration has been instituted so as to assure a uniform and harmonious development of the property into a State Arboretum, by which the Grand Lodge will have thereon a clump or grove of every kind of tree or shrub that is indigenous to this Commonwealth. Pursuant to this project 26,000

white pine, 500 walnut, 200 elm trees have been planted ; a large quantity of walnut and hickory nuts have been set in suitable ground, and a large number of native young trees have been pruned and transplanted so as to insure their proper development for future use. A number of the old and neglected orchards have been pruned and sprayed in order to preserve and improve them.

A grove of about 20 acres was set apart for decoration by Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 300, and that Lodge has planted therein 5698 shrubs, vines and bulbs from the mountains in Huntingdon County.

A site of five acres, including a spring, has been set apart for improvement and adornment by the Lodges in Blair County, on which they propose to erect an attractive building.

A tract of about forty (40) acres was set apart for the planting of an orchard of fruit trees, and on it there have been planted by Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 300, apple, peach, quince, crab apple, plum, pear, cherry and other fruit trees, 2646 in all.

There are eighty-four (84) property corners on the tract, and in order to permanently mark these, William H. Goll, of Lodge No. 25, presented to the Grand Lodge a squared granite marker, 6'' x 6'' x 5' in dimension, for each corner, and they are now accurately placed, as monuments to define our land.

Asbury W. Lee, of Lodge No. 314, presented on April 6th, a white pine tree, native in Clearfield County, 85 ft. long, 264 years old, as a Flag Pole to be erected on the premises.

Lewis E. Beitler, of Lodge No. 464, presented a set of National Colors, consisting of regulation Garrison, Post and Storm Flags.

The Flag Pole was raised and colors unfurled on May 25th, through the volunteer services of John Calhoun, Jacob Hatz, John M. Bair, Virginius P. Smith, L. W. Black and their assistants, with appropriate services conducted by D. G. M. William Luther Gorgas, and participated in by representatives of forty-nine Lodges and more than 1500 spectators. A flag is displayed every day, from sunrise to sunset.

The Elizabethtown Gas and Electric Company has installed,

without charge, additional road electric lights near The Headquarters for the convenience of guests and visitors.

On August 31st, the elective officers of the Lodges in Lancaster County met on the ground, and after inspection of the property, passed a resolution pledging their respective Lodges to raise \$25,000 to be applied on account of the construction of the three Collecting Dams, the Reservoir and the Pumping Station.

A full set of operative masons' tools was presented by J. Jacob Shannon & Co., of Philadelphia, which were used in the ceremony of breaking ground for the installation of the Dams and Reservoir on September 13th, in the presence of a large delegation from Lancaster County.

The site has been visited by many interested parties, coming from different parts of the State. A Register, presented by Andr. H. Hershey, of Lodge No. 43, shows personal signatures of 2000 visitors to December 1, 1910. In addition to these, individuals, Committees and delegations have been taken over the property, so as to have them fully appreciate the general scope of the enterprise. Of the thousands who have been on the grounds every one voiced his approval of the project, commendation of the location and method of development, and assurance of hearty co-operation from every locality represented.

Active work is being done in a number of counties, notably in Lancaster, Dauphin, Berks, Blair and Allegheny, towards raising funds to be applied to the payment of buildings and other works, as a practical demonstration of local interest.

This, in substance, is but a résumé of the work done on the ground, under the direction of the Committee; the other branch of the work has been conducted through meetings of the Committee in executive session at the Masonic Temple, and at the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown.

When this property was selected as the most convenient, healthful and attractive of any that was offered, it became an equally important matter to decide upon the number of persons to be provided for; the style of architecture to be selected; the material to be adopted and many other cognate matters.

It was decided to procure a general plan for the layout of the grounds and designs for the buildings by a competition among architects, arranged according to the best methods of practice. This required a program of instructions and regulations, to be prepared by an expert architect, in consultation with the Committee, after careful study of the many practical requirements to be met in the final plan.

The Committee, being zealously anxious of securing the highest grade of advice based on practical experience in such affairs, and to warrant the approval of our large membership in this Jurisdiction, concluded to secure as their advisory architect the services of a gentleman of such established fame as would insure confidence in his suggestions, and after full consideration decided to select Professor Warren P. Laird, Professor of Architecture in the University of Pennsylvania, as a person meeting all such requirements.

The program was then prepared and the competition announced. While this was thrown open to all architects of proved competency, it was decided to especially invite, as architects of prominence, Messrs. Cass Gilbert, of New York, John T. Windrim, of Philadelphia, and Allison & Allison, of Pittsburgh. Each of these was paid a fee for taking part, and three prize fees of equal amount were offered to the best among the other architects. The program was approved by the American Institute of Architects through the subcommittee on competitions of the Philadelphia Chapter.

Thirty-three sets of designs were received at the Grand Master's office on the appointed day, June 18, 1910; all without any indication of their authorship, being numbered for identification in the competition. They were then examined by a jury of architects composed of Professor Warren P. Laird, the advisor, and two others, elected by the competitors: viz., Messrs. Walter Cook, of New York, and Frank Miles Day, of Philadelphia.

The jury, having visited the site, studied the conditions of the program, and carefully examined all the designs, then selected design No. 22 as having best met all the requirements,

recommending it to the Committee for their choice. The jury also reported the best of the remaining designs in the order of their merit for the award of the three prizes. This report was presented to the Committee, which, after careful examination of all the designs and a full discussion, approved the report, adopting design No. 22 as the best. The envelope so numbered was then opened and the authors of this design, Messrs. Zant-zinger, Borie and Medary, of Philadelphia, were appointed as architects to design and supervise the work at present contemplated by the Committee.

The design selected by the Committee is admirably adapted to the purposes of the Home and will produce, when completed, a very perfectly arranged as well as beautiful group of buildings. The practical and artistic character of the project was of such exceptional merit that the expert jury offered to the Committee a vote of congratulations upon the success of its efforts.

The remaining envelopes were then opened and the prizes awarded to those two architects whose designs had been ranked above the others, viz.: Aymar Embury, 2d, of New York, and Horace Trumbauer, of Philadelphia. Mr. Cass Gilbert, of New York, had been ranked among the highest, but as an especially invited and paid competitor was not eligible to a prize fee.

In thus arriving at a conclusion, no member of the jury or of the Committee knew or had any means of knowing the name of any architect whose work was offered in competition.

Elaborate designs for buildings on the dormitory or village plan, rather than of an institutional character, were submitted by thirty-three (33) competitors as follows :

1. HUBERT G. RIPLEY and HENRY P. WHITE, Boston, Mass.
2. ARTHUR L. HERMAN, of New York City.
3. KIEHNEL & ELLIOTT, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
4. CHARLES B. PERKINS, Boston, Mass.
5. ARTHUR E. WILLAUER, New York.
6. THEODORE W. PIETSCH, Baltimore, Md.
7. JANSEN AND ABBOTT, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

8. ALLISON & ALLISON, Pittsburgh.
9. JOHN DOCKERY THOMPSON, JR., Wilmington, Del.
10. AYMAR EMBURY, 2D, New York City.
11. HENRY CROSBY, JR., & FRED. W. WENTWORTH, New
YORK.
12. ANDREW J. SAUER & FRANK E. HAHN, Philadelphia.
13. RANKIN, KELLOGG & CRANE, Philadelphia.
14. HORACE TRUMBAUER, Philadelphia.
15. HEACOCK & HOKANSON, Philadelphia.
16. COPE & STEWARDSON, Philadelphia.
17. CASS GILBERT, New York City.
18. DENNISON & HIRONS, New York City.
19. M. I. KAST, Harrisburg, Pa.
20. STARRETT, VAN VLECK & RICE, New York City.
21. WALTER D. BLAIR, New York City.
22. ZANTZINGER, BORIE & MEDARY, Philadelphia.
23. DILLON, McLELLAN & BEADEL, New York.
24. RUSH & LACEY, Philadelphia.
25. WILDER & WHITE, New York City.
26. JOHN T. WINDRIM, Philadelphia.
27. THOMAS, CHURCHMAN & MOLITOR, Philadelphia.
28. EVANS, WARREN & BIGGER, Philadelphia.
29. LOUIS BOYNTON, New York.
30. HAZLEHURST, FOLSOM & STANTON, Philadelphia.
31. GLENN & BEDFORD BROWN, Washington, D. C.
32. DUHRING, OKIE & ZIEGLER, Philadelphia.
33. CHARLES W. BOLTON & SON, Philadelphia.

In order to assure the general development of the property in a uniform and consistent manner, it was deemed advisable that the services of a landscape architect should be secured, and to have him co-operate with the selected architects and the engineer for the general purpose of improvement and decoration of the grounds.

After due consideration the Committee selected Mr. Charles N. Lowry, of New York, who is the President of the American Association of Landscape Gardeners, and have secured his services to discharge the duties incident to such appointment.

A number of meetings of the Committee were held in consultation with the architects, landscape artist, and engineer, both on the grounds at Elizabethtown and at the Masonic Temple. The location of the buildings—which will constitute a village effect—was definitely decided upon on September 7, 1910.

It is worthy of note, in regard to this selection, that each of the thirty-three (33) competing architects, without knowledge of what any other one would do, selected the same site or location of the buildings on the ground.

The plan of Messrs. Zantzinger, Borie & Medary being selected as the one which represented the views of the jury and the Committee, they were named, under the terms of the program, as the appointed architects, and after a number of consultations with them, certain revisions and alterations of the working drawings and specifications of the work were made, so as to conform to the views of the Committee in order to provide temporarily for the care of one hundred (100) men and twenty (20) women.

At a meeting held November 11th, at the Masonic Temple, the revised and amended plans were again considered, and the architects were authorized to complete their drawings, details and specifications, and to submit them to contractors for bids, on or before November 25, 1910, and to advertise for bids to be submitted to the Committee on December 6, 1910, two (2) times in two (2) daily newspapers in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton, Williamsport, Lancaster, Harrisburg, Erie, Reading, Altoona and York; the contractors to be required to make a suitable deposit on receiving the plans, etc., and to furnish a bond or certified check for One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) accompanying each proffered contract, and to be required, before executing the contract, to submit, for the approval of this Committee, the names of all sub-contractors, and such other directions as may be deemed proper; the Committee reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

A number of bids have been received, all being scheduled and will receive due consideration from your Committee.

The detail plans and specifications provide for separate bids on four (4) different kinds of stone, to wit: Port Deposit, Holmesburg, Clearfield and New Avondale; the facings and trimmings in all cases to be of Indiana limestone; as well as to submit separate bids for rubble and random ashlar masonry. The architects were directed to prepare a cardboard model in miniature to show in accurate proportion the main building and a cottage of each type contemplated.

The necessity for having an abundant supply of pure water for all uses on the premises has been considered a matter of vital importance.

In order to conserve and utilize the output of perfectly pure soft water from the springs on the premises, the Committee was fortunate in enlisting the volunteer services of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, Commissioner of Health of the Commonwealth, and the corps of experts associated with him; and others of like fame, who have carefully examined the whole property and, with our engineer, developed and established a complete system of conservation of our natural supply; the distribution of the water by gravity to all portions of the property where it will be needed, and a sewage disposal plant to utilize all waste and refuse, when the buildings are occupied.

As this branch of the development of the property should rightly be the first active work on the ground, the Committee directed detail plans and specifications to be prepared by our engineer, Brother J. MURRAY AFRICA, so as to embrace all such necessary work, and the construction of the public road on our western boundary, which we agreed to make in substitution of the public road through the property on the crest of the ridge, and which has been vacated by legal proceedings in the Courts of Lancaster County.

Pursuant to this, bids on the proposed work were requested from eight prominent contractors of established reputation and ability to do such work, from Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Lancaster and Philadelphia. In this competition, John P. Goll & Co., of Philadelphia, were the lowest and best bidders, and they were

awarded the contract for all of the proposed work at the price of \$54,275.99.

This contract provides for assembling the water from designated springs into three conserving dams ; erecting a pumping house, and from thence to conduct the water to a reservoir on the highest point on the property, the capacity of the dams being 2,000,000 gallons, and of the reservoir 1,500,000 gallons, and to construct the road as required by the specifications. All of this work is under way and will be soon completed in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The records of the Committee are so voluminous, that it is not feasible to submit more than an abstract of their work. It is their desire, however, that the records on file in the office of the Grand Master be personally examined by any Brother interested in the matter. And they urge upon each and every member of the Fraternity, the importance of a personal visit to and inspection of this property.

The Committee takes special pleasure in recording that in all the important work transacted by it during the current year, there has been no departure from the rule announced when the Committee was first organized—perfect unanimity among Masons being a cardinal rule of our existence—we have in every instance unanimously agreed to every conclusion we have reached.

And now Brethren, as this work moves toward completion, it becomes important for this Grand Lodge to carefully consider and clearly determine, the requirements, qualifications, and limitation to the administration of our hospitality and nurture.

By Chapter 3, Section 22, of the Ahiman Rezon of 1825, it was provided that a committee of five (5) members of the Grand Lodge should meet monthly "*for the purpose of dispensing charitable relief to petitioners, being Ancient York Masons, the wives, mothers, sisters and children of such Masons.*"

In 1855, the Grand Lodge established The Grand Lodge Charity Fund, and since that date, the disbursement of charity funds has been made by the Almoners, Stewards, and Bursars, as designated by the following trusts.

The present provisions for the disbursement of our available charity funds are as follows :

On December 1, 1909, The Grand Lodge Charity Fund was \$98,000.00

the income of which is dispensed by the Almoners "*to needy, respectable widows, orphan children, mothers and unmarried sisters of Master Masons in good standing at the time of their decease.*" Pro. Dec. 20, 1779, 1 Rept. p. 9, Pro. 1909, p. 50, 134.

The Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund was \$114,992.08

"The interest whereof, or so much as the Grand Lodge shall appropriate, shall be set apart for annual distribution by the Bursars, "*for the relief of poor respectable widows, of forty-five years and over, whose husbands were Master Masons, in good standing in the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, within three years of their decease.*" Pro. 1909, p. 54.

The Thomas Singleton Bequest was \$28,661.11

Pro. 1909, p. 50, which by resolution of Dec. 27, 1899 (Pro. 1899, p. 175), became a part of the principal of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to be held and invested, and the income used and appropriated under the rules and regulations governing the principal and the income of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund.

The Girard Bequest was \$77,000.00

By the will of Bro. STEPHEN GIRARD dated Dec. 31, 1831, it is provided that "*the interest whereof shall be applied from time to time to the relief of poor and respectable Brethren.*"

The Stephen Taylor Bequest was \$17,565.16 .

Pro. 1909, p. 58, which sum is invested.

Pro. 1898, p. 34, 55.

The will of Bro. TAYLOR provides, that “*Should the Masonic Fraternity of the State of Pennsylvania, under the management and control of the Grand Lodge, establish a home or asylum for the benefit of infirm and indigent Masons in good standing, their widows and orphans, then in such case, it is my will, and I do direct, that the income shall be by the said Grand Lodge, transferred and judiciously used for the support of said home or asylum.*”

Pro. 1908, p. 35.

The Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Fund

No. 2, was \$36,343.80

Pro. 1909, p. 61.

By the will of Mr. William McClary, it is provided, that “*the sum of \$30,000 in trust to be kept as a perpetual fund, the interest only to be used for the education and support of the orphan children of Free Masons, if a Home shall be established by the Grand Lodge within twenty years from the year 1900.*”

Pro. 1903, p. 136.

The Emergency Relief Fund was \$11,909.25

This fund is invested and the interest thereon is compounded semi-annually, and under resolution Dec. 4, 1907, Pro. 1907, p. 83, it is “*subject to the order of the Grand Master in conjunction with the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens or a majority of them, in case of woeful distress in any part of the United States or its Provinces, whereby the Masonic Brethren of the locality may require aid and assistance.*”

Pro. 1907, p. 83.

The Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution

for Boys—Trust was \$783,964.39

Pro. 1909, p. 66, "is to be available for the beneficiaries, not earlier than twelve nor later than twenty years after testator's death, which occurred on the 13th of September, 1907: Grand Lodge having full power to commence said Institution at any time between said periods. This estate is managed by fifteen Trustees named by the Grand Lodge."

And sixty lots of ground in St. Louis, Mo., of which no appraisement has yet been made.

By resolution of September 2, 1908, Pro. 1908, p. 51, the Home contemplated by this Grand Lodge was for and limited to "*dependent Masons, their wives, widows and orphan children.*"

The Subordinate Lodges disburse annually large sums of money of which no return is made to the Grand Lodge (and the amount is unfortunately not definitely known), in relief of the deserving and needy, under provisions of their By-laws or in the discretion of committees.

Munificent as these provisions are, it has been demonstrated by experience, that they are inadequate if technically construed, so that, in many instances, rules and regulations have been fraternally moulded to make the letter yield to the spirit, and assure to deserving persons a genuine philanthropy.

It is not possible to administer charity by black letter definition; the exigencies of our life are so varied; the needs of humanity so complex; the call for help is often so urgent and imperative, that set forms must yield to the necessity and merit of the case. In our Lodges and as individuals we do this, and it should be practiced in our Grand Lodge benefactions.

The sojourner in our midst; our Brother in distress, who is in another Jurisdiction, or who is in temporary but pressing need at home by reason of illness or disaster; as well as his dependent wife, mother, sister, orphan, or the widow of a Brother, is as much entitled to our fraternal aid as is the Master Mason at our door. This is but repeating the declaration made by our Grand Lodge in 1825.

Temporary relief to such persons, as in the discretion of the Committee are worthy and in want, is as meritorious a disbursement of charity funds, as when relief is applied to a resident guest in our Home.

After a full investigation of the management of Homes in our sister Jurisdictions, and in consideration of the more elastic and liberal proposition we are now developing, the Committee feels assured that the aim and purpose of our undertaking will be best secured by delegating to the Committee more liberal authority than is now the measure of their power, under the resolution of September 2, 1908, Pro. 1908, p. 51 above quoted.

As stated therein, it is the sense of this Grand Lodge "that no fee, charge, or subsequent consideration should mar the nobility of the good works offered in the name of fraternal charity."

In order to avoid any imposition, it is important that each case should be carefully investigated, and the fraternal identity of the party should be clearly established. Each application should contain all the essential facts, which should be verified by persons familiar with them. The application should be approved by a Subordinate Lodge (which Lodge should promise to keep in good Masonic standing the member so recommended) and by two members of this Lodge.

A detailed record should be preserved of every case. The place and date of birth, sex, and Masonic relation; the occupation, present and past; domestic relation, name, age, residence, financial condition of parents, children, brothers, sisters; the degree of helplessness; whether relief should be entire or partial, permanent or temporary; the willingness of friends or relations to aid in part; the names and residences of persons to be notified in the event of sudden illness or death while at the Home; a direction for the disposition of any personal effects at the death of a guest; a certificate of a physician who is a Master Mason, that the applicant is free from any contagious or infectious disease, a clear statement of the physical condition of the applicant; the degree and cause of an emergency urged as a reason for relief, are suggested as important facts to be estab-

lished by competent proof in each case, and determined by appropriate rules and regulations.

The Committee notes with special pleasure the receipt November 11, 1910, of a resolution adopted by the Board of Managers of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has established a Masonic Home for dependent Masons, their wives, widows and orphans; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Lodge has expressed its willingness to assume all the duties and obligations of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, to the end that all such Masonic charities shall be under one management; Now be it

Resolved: By the Managers of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania that it is desirable to meet the wishes of the Grand Lodge if it can be done without jeopardy to its property rights or the violation of any trusts.

To carry out the expressed wish of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as shown by resolution of September 2, 1908, Pro. 1908, p. 52, and of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, as indicated in the above resolution, a careful examination by representatives of the two bodies will be made, in order to determine in what manner it is feasible, for the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to take charge of and fully execute all trusts now committed to the administration of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania.

The widespread interest that is taken in this project, as well as the desire on the part of members of the Fraternity and Masonic bodies to be identified in a practical manner with it, is evidenced by the large number of oral and written inquiries that have been made, for advice and suggestion with reference to the general, as well as the detail work and scope of the enterprise.

1. In reply to all such inquiries, we suggest that *all contributions of money, either by members or Masonic bodies, intended to be for the use of the Committee on Masonic Homes, should be paid to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, so that a proper record will be made of the donor, the date and amount of the contribution, and the special purpose to which the donor desires the fund to be applied. All such funds will be transmitted to the Grand Treasurer, and be subject in his hands to the order of the Committee, who will observe the particular requests that are made in relation thereto.*

Bequests in last wills and testaments, that are intended for the charities under the control and administered by the Committee on Masonic Homes, should be in the following form :

“ I give and bequeath to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, for use of the Committee on Masonic Homes, under its control, the sum of Dollars, and I hereby direct that this bequest shall be free and discharged of and from all commissions, charges and collateral inheritance taxes.”

The following is offered to carry into effect this report :

Resolved, That the Committee on Masonic Homes is hereby authorized and empowered to receive, maintain, aid and dispense relief to the classes and persons indicated in the foregoing report, under such rules and regulations as it may determine to be proper ; and to change the same from time to time to meet special cases ; to keep detailed records of its proceedings ; to make a full report to this Grand Lodge annually, at the Quarterly Communication in December, of all business transacted by it ; and to exhibit all books, papers, accounts and contracts to the Grand Master or the Committee on Finance when requested so to do.

That this report and resolution be printed for distribution among the members.

And that the blessings of the Father of all may rest upon the work in which we are engaged is the earnest and sincere wish of

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
WILLIAM L. GORGAS,
J. HENRY WILLIAMS,
LOUIS A. WATRES,
EDGAR A. TENNIS,
GEORGE B. ORLADY,
SPENCER C. GILBERT,
DAVID A. SAWDEY,
JAMES B. KRAUSE,
JOHN D. GOFF,
DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,
Committee on Masonic Homes.

Tracts and parcels of real estate in West Donegal Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, purchased by the Committee on Masonic Homes, for the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania.

Map Tract No.	Grantor	Acres	Consideration
1.	Bunyan Shaffer	149.662	\$5,075.00
2.	William Chapman	49.319	1,100.00
3.	Peter G. Brubaker	9.122	575.00
4.	Martin N. Heisey	22.834	1,000.00
5.	Margaret A. & Agnes T. Lynch	5.759	600.00
6.	Isaac L. Hoffer	1.917	70.00
7.	Jacob G. Oldweiler	112.140	16,785.00
8.	John G. Breneman	10.278	440.00
9.	Edwin H. Gish	39.924	1,800.00
10.	Joseph F. Shissler	27.469	1,700.00
11.	Amos E. Gish	72.467	6,750.00
12.	George S. Keenard	39.300	5,000.00
13.	George B. Willson (Bishop)	6.972	3,300.00
14.	Fannie M. Hilt	3.788	3,450.00
15.	Levi M. Ebersole	3.298	2,400.00

Map Tract No.	Grantor	Acres	Consideration
16.	David S. Shank	2.012	\$600.00
17.	Hiram Sharer	17.571	5,000.00
18.	Elizabeth N. Rutt	19.480	5,000.00
19.	{ Sarah A. Oldweiler }	34.288	3,177.67
	{ Martin N. Brady }		3,177.66
	{ dower interest }		2,169.67
29-20.	Frank W. Groff	53.334	20,000.00
21.	J. K. Landis (Willson)	0.345	5,500.00
22.	{ Elizabeth G. and Martha H. }	87.861	12,300.54
	{ Witmer, David G. Heisey }		
	{ Amanda H. Witmer }		
23.	Simon A. Rutt	53.205	8,200.00
24.	Joseph G. Heisey	51.072	7,601.00
25.	Henry J. Gish	0.282	50.00
26.	Samuel H. Stoner	3.818	600.00
27.	Sara E. Nissley	3.920	1,100.00
28.	Hiram F. Hamaker	0.596	5,000.00
20-29.	Frank W. Groff	9.959	
30.	Jacob N. Rutt	4.065	225.00
31.	Mary A. Schneitman	7.835	350.00
32.	Isaac N. Rutt	9.242	400.00
33.	Simon A. Rutt	22.895	950.00
34.	Penna. R. R. Co.	0.343	50.00
35.	Mary A. Schneitman	20.215	4,300.00
36-37.	Jno. L. and Mary H. Rutt	6.716	301.38
38.	Benjamin F. Wormley	0.373	600.00
39.	Jacob H. Morton	1.951	100.00
40.	Mary A. Schneitman	0.466	0.00
		<u>966.741</u>	<u>\$136,797.92</u>

Insurance in force on buildings on the property in "Mount Joy Mutual Fire Insurance Co.," as follows:

Oldweiler & Brady properties	\$3,525
Elizabeth N. Rutt "	2,700
J. G. Oldweiler "	2,750

Mrs. H. Witmer properties	.	.	.	\$4,275
Levi Ebersole	"	.	.	1,125
George S. Keenard	"	.	.	2,935
Fannie Hilt	"	.	.	2,000
Jos. H. Heisey	"	.	.	2,900
Amos E. Gish	"	.	.	3,200
Joseph Shissler	"	.	.	750
Bunyan Shaffer	"	.	.	2,100
Bunyan Shaffer	"	.	.	475
Hiram Sharer	"	.	.	1,800
Hiram Hamaker	"	.	.	2,850
David B. Shank	"	.	.	600
Joseph K. Landis	"	.	.	2,700
Total	.	.	.	<u>\$36,685</u>

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1910.

Past Master Brother HARMAN YERKES, of the Committee on Library, addressed the Grand Lodge as follows; and on behalf of Brother JOHN WANAMAKER, Chairman of the Committee on Library, presented to the Grand Lodge an oil painting of Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON which is the only copy of the original painted from life by William Williams in 1794:

Right Worshipful Grand Master :

In presenting this excellent copy of the unique and, as there are substantial reasons for saying, singularly accurate portrait of the father of his country, which we now secure through the thoughtfulness and munificence of the Chairman of the Committee on Library, it is proper to call attention to the appropriateness of its having a place in this Temple.

The original, a precious relic, is the cherished property of Alexandria-Washington Lodge of which GEORGE WASHINGTON was Master.

That Lodge was originally warranted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, February 3, 1783, as Alexandria Lodge, and surrendered its Pennsylvania Warrant after the formation of

the Grand Lodge of Virginia, April 28, 1788, and received a Warrant from it. In this latter Warrant GEORGE WASHINGTON was named as Master. When, in 1804, it petitioned the Grand Lodge of Virginia to change its name to Alexandria-Washington Lodge, it was voted by the Grand Lodge that upon the deposit of the old Warrant in the Archives of the Grand Lodge a new Warrant should be issued by the new name; but the next year the Lodge, being dissatisfied with the proposal, petitioned for a change of name without change of Warrant, as, in the one which they held, Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON was named as Master, which petition was complied with.

The possessor of the original painting is a child of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and as WASHINGTON was named as Master when Alexandria Lodge received its Warrant from the Grand Lodge of Virginia, the subject of the portrait himself had been a member of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The interest of this occasion is therefore heightened, by the close affiliations with this Grand Lodge of both the possessor and subject of the painting. But the primary attraction, may I say fascination, is in the portrait itself. It was painted in Philadelphia by William Williams from life while WASHINGTON was here as President and upon a commission from the Lodge of which the illustrious subject was a member, in Alexandria. And but for that request and the knowledge that it was to be presented to his own Lodge, WASHINGTON undoubtedly would have refused the sitting, as he did in numerous other instances.

It will be observed that the portrait presents a far different personal appearance from any of the others made at the same period. WASHINGTON was then 64 years old. He had passed through innumerable cares and unparalleled responsibilities, and was at the time grappling with the stupendous task of piloting the recently launched American Republic through unknown and tempestuous seas, to a haven of safety and permanence, in the upbuilding and planting of a new nation among the long established governments of the world, created, it is true, upon new lines, but destined within a century of time, almost, to become the greatest and most respected power of the earth.

None could perform this work without betraying those bodily signs of care and premature old age which are so faithfully depicted in the portrait before us. It is therefore, according to the reason of things, accurate. The painter, faithful to his task, has given us a living, truthful representation of the man as he was, not of the imaginary, heroic figure with which all others, except perhaps Stuart in his painting now in the London portrait gallery, have attempted to flatter the appearance of the man whose character and noble deeds will mark him through all the ages of history as nearest to the perfect man. Who were better judges of the correctness of the delineation of this illustrious character than the members of Alexandria Lodge, his favored associates, neighbors and friends who sat with him in brotherly love and joined hands with him in doing faithful Masonic labor. These men accepted as truthful this portrait made at their request, and hung it up, and during all these years, faithful sentinels, have guarded and cherished it in the sanctuary. Jealously guarded as it is, the generous donor, with the true instinct of a great master architect, has secured for us this excellent reproduction, and with patriotic impulses has selected for the work so well done an artist a descendant of WASHINGTON'S great co-worker, THOMAS JEFFERSON.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is indeed fortunate not only in the possession of this invaluable addition to her great Museum of Masonic History, but equally in the circumstances surrounding its acquisition, which no one could have conceived and brought about more happily than Brother JOHN WANAMAKER, the donor of this most valuable gift, which I now, on his behalf, present to the Grand Lodge to be placed with the many priceless possessions in the Museum of the Library.

Past Master Brother NORRIS S. BARRATT, of the Committee on Library, in accepting the oil painting on behalf of the Grand Lodge, delivered the following address, after which the resolution of thanks offered by him was, on motion, unanimously adopted :

Right Worshipful Grand Master :

The Committee on Library and Museum has done me the honor to ask me to accept the Masonic portrait of our illustrious Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON, presented by our generous Chairman, Brother JOHN WANAMAKER. The original of this portrait was painted from life by Williams in 1794, at the request of his Lodge in Alexandria, Virginia, as you have heard from Brother YERKES, and this is the only copy. An interesting fact is that Brother WASHINGTON was induced to sit for this portrait by his personal friend, the then Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge, Brother Dr. ELISHA CULLEN DICK, who, just before he sailed for France on a visit, was made a Mason, September 23, 1779, in Lodge No. 2 of Philadelphia, of which I am a Past Master and Representative in this Grand Lodge. Brother DICK moved to Alexandria prior to 1783, where he resided upwards of forty years. He was an eminent physician, and, as consulting physician, attended Brother WASHINGTON in his last illness and opposed bleeding him, as was done.

In 1794 he commanded a company of cavalry, raised in Alexandria, to suppress what was known as the Whiskey Insurrection in Pennsylvania.

He attended the first meeting of Alexandria Lodge, February 25, 1783 (then No. 39), for organization, and acted as Secretary. He served as Worshipful Master from December 27, 1787, to April 28, 1788, when Brother WASHINGTON became Worshipful Master. He succeeded Brother WASHINGTON on the 27th of December, 1789, and served until December 27, 1795, and again from December 27, 1797, to December 27, 1799.

The corner-stone of the United States Capitol at the City of Washington, District of Columbia, was laid on the eighteenth day of September, 1793, with Masonic ceremonies, by Brother WASHINGTON in the presence of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and several Lodges under its Jurisdiction, in the first year of his second term as President of the United States, as Past Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 22, by invitation of Worshipful Master Brother DICK, who acted as Grand Sword Bearer.

Brother DICK presided at the Lodge of Sorrow convened on Monday, December 16, 1799, to make arrangements for the funeral of Brother WASHINGTON, and on the following Wednesday (18th) performed the impressive ceremonies of the Fraternity at the grave.

St. John's Day December 27, 1799, Brother DICK, before proceeding to install his successor, Col. GEORGE DENEALE, as Worshipful Master, addressed Alexandria Lodge as follows:

"Our great and good Master is no more! He who hath so often united in our annual celebrations, is gone to return not again! He whose presence was wont to inspire surrounding multitudes with reverence and admiration; he who was but lately the boast of his own country, and the wonder of the world, now lies cold and prostrate in his tomb! Thus, my Brethren, is lost from the treasury of the Universal Lodge its brightest jewel. Feeble is the language of eulogism when applied to a character of such uncommon worth. Statues of marble will prove the love and gratitude of his survivors; but his own virtues and his services have already implanted a monument far more durable than these in the bosoms of his countrymen. May it be particularly nurtured by the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons to the end of time! So mote it be!"

On the 22d of February, 1800, the anniversary of Brother WASHINGTON's birthday, Brother DICK delivered at the First Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, Virginia, an oration on "The Day and Decease of Washington." On this occasion Alexandria Lodge and Brooke Lodge, No. 47, were escorted to the church by the military of Alexandria and citizens of the town.

A few years before his death, Brother DICK made his residence at his farm in Fairfax County, Virginia, near Alexandria. He died in Alexandria in 1825, and was buried in the Friends' burial-ground, Queen Street.

It must not be forgotten that Alexandria Lodge No. 39 of Virginia had been warranted originally by this Grand Lodge, February 3, 1783, that ROBERT ADAM, the Master named in the Warrant, was entered, crafted and raised in Lodge No. 2, and that it worked from the organization of Alexandria Lodge

under its Pennsylvania Warrant until Virginia had a Grand Lodge. There were present from this Grand Lodge at the organization Brother CHARLES YOUNG, Grand Treasurer, who acted as Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden Col. THOMAS PROCTOR, and Brother ROBERT ADAM, as Junior Grand Warden, and Dr. DICK, Acting Grand Secretary, all members of Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia. Brother PROCTOR was the Worshipful Master and Brother YOUNG the Senior Warden of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, in its Warrant.

Cordial personal and fraternal relations this Grand Lodge always maintained with Brother WASHINGTON. They are all shown by our minutes. We recall that after that terrible winter of 1777 with his army at Valley Forge, after the evacuation of Philadelphia by the British in June, 1778, Brother WASHINGTON's first public appearance as a Mason was to accompany this Grand Lodge on St. John's Day, December 28, 1778, to Christ Church, where a sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. WILLIAM SMITH, our Grand Secretary, a member of Lodge No. 2, and that £400 were collected for the poor. That on January 13, 1780, this Grand Lodge nominated him as Grand Master throughout the United States. That we dedicated the Ahiman Rezon to him November 22, 1781.

June 24, 1784, Brother WASHINGTON was elected an honorary member of Lodge No. 39 at Alexandria, Virginia, which was warranted by this Grand Lodge February 3, 1783.

June 18, 1787, Grand Lodge presented to Brother WASHINGTON the present book of Constitution.

December 27, 1791, Rev. Brother Dr. SMITH was directed by Grand Lodge to prepare an address to our illustrious Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON, President of the United States, which was approved by Grand Lodge January 2, 1792, and replied to by WASHINGTON December 27, 1793.

On December 5, 1796, Grand Lodge again addressed the Grand Master Workman, our illustrious Brother WASHINGTON, on his intended retirement from public labor. So the gift to us of this portrait of Brother WASHINGTON is most appropriate, and your Committee on Library and Museum will proudly hang

it in the Museum, where it can be seen and appreciated by the Brethren.

There were thirteen other Presidents of the United States of America members of our Fraternity: ANDREW JACKSON, JAMES MONROE, JAMES K. POLK, JOHN TYLER, ZACHARY TAYLOR, MILLARD FILLMORE, FRANKLIN PIERCE, JAMES BUCHANAN, ANDREW JOHNSON, JAMES A. GARFIELD, WILLIAM MCKINLEY, THEODORE ROOSEVELT and WILLIAM H. TAFT, and we hope the time is not far distant when the Brethren will feel moved to present to this Grand Lodge portraits of these eminent Brothers.

In stating this I am not unmindful that all of Brother WASHINGTON's generals, a majority at least of both the signers of the Declaration of Independence and of the Constitution of the United States were of our Fraternity; and there ought to be portraits of these distinguished Masons, who helped make us a nation, upon the walls of our Temple.

Let me add a word about your Masonic Museum. In its purpose and scope it illustrates what Freemasonry has accomplished in times gone by. It is a rare collection of Masonic material from all parts of the world,—Alberta and Saskatchewan in the extreme north to Tasmania and New Zealand near the south pole,—including jewels and insignia, Colonial and Revolutionary records, portraits, engravings, and Masonic diplomas, covering almost two centuries. This Masonic material tells the story of Freemasonry in the Roman Empire, the time of the Pharaohs, and the building of Solomon's Temple.

It is your Museum and we are merely your stewards, carrying on your work, and we know the desire of the Craft is that it shall continue to be the finest Masonic Museum in the world. We have accomplished a great deal, but there yet remains much to be done. Brother WANAMAKER has generously given us the SEPHAR TORAH, or scroll of the law, and this portrait of Brother WASHINGTON, which we will always treasure. His generosity seems to have become a fixed habit. Let us hope it will act as an inspiration for the rest of us to look over our possessions and donate such as are Masonic to the Museum.

The first museum in America was in Philadelphia, founded by CHARLES WILSON PEALE, in 1785, and it contained some priceless Masonic relics. In 1792 THOMAS JEFFERSON was elected President of the Peale Museum, and the Board of Managers were ALEXANDER HAMILTON, JAMES MADISON, THOMAS MIFFLIN, ROBERT MORRIS, DAVID RITTENHOUSE and Dr. CASPAR WISTAR, the distinguished physician, also a member of Lodge No. 2. In 1841 the failure of the United States Bank ruined the Museum Company, and in 1850 the collections were sold at auction. The valuable part went to the Boston Museum, which, in 1900, divided its collection between the Anthropological Museum of Harvard University and the Boston Museum of Natural History.

Unfortunately Philadelphia lost this museum, which can never be replaced, but you have now our Grand Lodge Museum to consider. If you all help, it is possible to make it tell the story of Freemasonry from all over the world and from the earliest times, as the history of mankind is told by the British Museum and South Kensington Museums at London, the Vatican and Capitoline at Rome, the great Museo Nazionale at Naples, the Brera at Milan, the Louvre, the Trocadero and Hotel de Cluny at Paris, the Zwinger at Dresden, the Museum at Berlin and the Glyptothek and the Penakothek at Munich, and the notable museums at St. Petersburg, at Madrid, at Ghizeh near Cairo.

So your Committee on Library and Museum acting under the direction of Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, with your active aid and co-operation, hopes to make the Masonic Museum of Pennsylvania the resort of the scholar and student of Freemasonry, and to have it rank in its own special field as the finest in existence.

Resolved, That the Fraternal thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, F. and A. M., for their courtesy in permitting a copy to be made of the Williams Masonic portrait of our illustrious Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON.

Past Master Brother GEORGE McCURDY, Chairman of the Committee on Temple, offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania does hereby tender a vote of thanks to Past Master Brother JOHN WANAMAKER, the donor of the oil painting, for this most valuable gift.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Masonic Memorial Committee, relative to "A Memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason" which was referred to the Committee on Landmarks.

An appeal was received from Brother W. D. R., a member of Lodge No.—, appealing from the action of Lodge No.— relative to charges preferred by the said Brother W. D. R. against Brother J. W. 3rd, a Fellow Craft Mason and member of Lodge No.—, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE made the following announcement:

In accordance with the resolutions adopted at the Quarterly Communication held September 7th last, I designate as the Committee to invite the President of the United States, Brother WILLIAM H. TAFT, to participate in the 125th Anniversary of the establishment of this Grand Lodge, which I understand is to be composed of the Grand Master and two Brethren to be appointed by him, Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY and Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON.

I am also instructed to appoint a Committee of six Brethren to act in conjunction with the six elective Officers of this Grand

Lodge, which will constitute a Committee to devise a program for this occasion. Therefore in addition to the six elective Officers of this Grand Lodge, I appoint,

Brother GEORGE B. WELLS,
 Brother HENRY DARRACH,
 Brother ADOLPH EICHHOLZ,
 Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON,
 Brother THOMAS F. PENMAN,
 Brother EMORY A. WALLING.

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Senior Grand Deacon, offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were on motion adopted :

WHEREAS, It is very desirable that this Grand Lodge possess portraits in oil, as near to life as possible, of those Brethren who have served as Grand Master of Masons in this Jurisdiction ;

Resolved, That the Right Worshipful Grand Master, the Chairman of the Committee on Temple, and the Chairman of the Committee on Library, be a committee to procure the portraits, life size, of the living Past Grand Masters, Right Worshipful Brothers EDGAR A. TENNIS, GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., and GEORGE B. ORLADY, at a cost, including framing, not to exceed the sum of three thousand dollars.

Resolved, That in the second year of service of a Brother as Grand Master of Masons in this Jurisdiction, the Right Worshipful Grand Master, the Chairman of the Committee on Temple, and the Chairman of the Committee on Library, be a committee to procure the portrait, life size in oil, of the Grand Master aforesaid, at a cost, including framing, not to exceed the sum of one thousand dollars.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be directed to include the appropriation for the portrait as provided in the foregoing resolution in their estimates for the year indicated.

Brother GEORGE McCURDY, Chairman of the Committee on Temple, offered the following preambles and resolution, which were on motion adopted :

WHEREAS, By the Will of the late Emma J. Day, widow of Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, a bust and pedestal which had been presented to him by Harmony Lodge No. 52, F. & A. M., was bequeathed to the Masonic Temple, and subsequently came into the possession of the Committee on Temple, and

WHEREAS, The Committee on Temple is of the opinion, that the bust and pedestal should be in the possession of a surviving son of Past Grand Master DAY, who is a Past Master of Harmony Lodge, No. 52, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Temple is authorized to turn over to Past Master Brother SAMUEL H. DAY, the bust and pedestal herein mentioned.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 9 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

William A. Sinn
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 27, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	
“ SAMUEL A. BOYLE . . .	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . .	
“ JOHN FREDERICK BEITEL . . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
“ JOHN W. CODDING . . .	
“ JOHN G. HESS . . .	
“ BOYD G. STEEL . . .	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .	
“ HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .	
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . .	

Bro. FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .		
" JOHN J. BOWDEN . . .		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .		
" JAMES W. ROBINS . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" WILLIAM B. WOOD . . .		
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .		
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .		<i>Grand Steward.</i>
" JAMES TAITT . . .		<i>As Grand Steward</i>
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" JOHN J. BOWDEN . . .		<i>As Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" JULIUS F. SACHSE . . .		<i>As Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

102 Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock, 5 minutes, A.M.

Copies of proposed By-laws and of proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :

BRETHREN :

On September 20 last Brother W. D. R. preferred the charge against a Brother Mason who had received the second degree in Lodge No. — of gross un-Masonic conduct and prayed that

the accused be not further advanced. The Lodge referred the matter to its Grievance Committee which on October 15 reported that it "fails to find where any Masonic offence has been committed." The report was unanimously sustained by the Lodge and Brother R. appealed.

The facts are these: Brother R. married the sister of the Fellow Craft Mason against whom he preferred charges. Divorce proceedings are pending between Brother R. and his wife, and the feeling between them is bitter. Brother R. lives in ———. On May 10, 1910, by pre-arrangement, the wife went to ——— to get from her husband some of her belongings. She was accompanied by her brother, the accused. Brother R. admitted his wife to the house, but told his brother-in-law to remain on the porch. The wife made some complaint that she was not permitted to go up-stairs and appealed to her brother and then there ensued a wordy quarrel on the porch and Brother R. alleges that his brother-in-law used toward him profane and vile language and threatened to kill him when he met him in Philadelphia. That both parties were angry and that language, the use of which must be strongly condemned, was used by the brother-in-law is beyond doubt. All this occurred, however, one week before the accused was made a Mason and the Grievance Committee and the Lodge properly held that it did not constitute un-Masonic conduct.

The Committee on Appeals is not unmindful that it is essential that an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Mason should continue under the tongue of good Masonic report in order to justify his advancement, and if the facts went to show that the Fellow Craft Mason in this case was not worthy of advancement, the Committee would deem it a duty to so report to the Grand Lodge. But while the language used by the Fellow Craft Mason to Brother R. was profane and the epithets vile, they were uttered in the heat of a passion, they sprang from love of a sister and quite probably from enmity to a brother-in-law who was believed to have wronged his wife, and under the circumstances ought not to prevent the advancement of the accused.

There was another specification that in 1908 the accused used improper language to his sister-in-law. This depended on what Brother R. was told by his sister-in-law the accused had said to her in concluding a telephone conversation, upon a subject likely to lead to both bad blood and anger. The incident is hearsay and too old to be given any weight.

The Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the appeal of Brother W. D. R. from the action of Lodge No. — be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,
Chairman.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted their annual report (see Appendix), which was referred to the Grand Officers, with power to print.

COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the proposed Amendments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 234, 408, 591, 597, and 651 be approved.

Resolved, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 485, be not approved, but returned to the Lodge for further amendment and to be placed under a new Article, as No. VII, with the caption "Life Membership," and that the numbers of the succeeding Articles be changed to agree, after the Lodge has adopted, inserted and numbered a new Article, under the caption "Permanent Fund," which should be No. VIII.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,
A. HOWARD THOMAS,
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,

Committee on By-laws.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1910.

ALMONERS OF THE GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund present their annual report, as follows :

AMOUNT OF THE FUND FOR THE YEAR 1910.

Appropriation to Class 1	.	.	.	\$1,900.00	
Appropriation to Class 2	.	.	.	1,700.00	
Appropriation to Class 3	.	.	.	1,900.00	
Appropriation to Class 4	.	.	.	<u>2,100.00</u>	
Total	.	.	.		\$7,600.00

They have received and favorably acted upon 729 applications, representing the following Jurisdictions :

Pennsylvania . . .	670	New York . . .	6
Delaware . . .	18	Virginia . . .	3
New Jersey . . .	9	Illinois . . .	2
North Carolina . . .	5	Ohio . . .	2
South Carolina . . .	3	California . . .	3
Arkansas . . .	3		
South Dakota . . .	3	Scotland . . .	2
Total			<hr/> 729

Amount granted to 729 applicants . . . \$7,600.00
Leaving no balance.

During this year, your Board has lost by death two active members :

Past Master Brother JOHN F. RAU, Lodge No. 419, and
Past Master Brother FRANK JARRETT, Lodge No. 609.

The increased appropriation to the Board is a welcome addition to our Fund, and will enable us to increase our efforts in assisting the needy and afflicted relatives of our deceased Brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

AMOS H. HALL,
President.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1910.

STEWARDS OF THE STEPHEN GIRARD CHARITY FUND.

The Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund present the following report for the year ending December 27, 1910.

Balance on hand, December 26, 1909	.		\$35.00
Amount appropriated to Class No. 1	.	\$800.00	
Amount appropriated to Class No. 2	.	600.00	
Amount appropriated to Class No. 3	.	600.00	
Amount appropriated to Class No. 4	.	800.00	2,800.00
			<u>\$2,835.00</u>

The Board of Stewards granted relief to
133 applicants who were found worthy
as follows, to wit :

130 from the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania	\$2,670.00	
2 from Toronto, Canada	50.00	
1 from Glasgow, Scotland	25.00	
	<u>2,745.00</u>	
Balance remaining, December 22, 1910		\$90.00

It is with sorrow I have to report that death removed three members from the Board during the past year, all of them being faithful to their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY K. LEECH,

President of Stewards.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23, 1910.

**BURSARS OF THE THOMAS R. PATTON
MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.**

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund report that during the past year the following amounts have been received and disbursed to the persons entitled to the benefits of this fund :

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1909	.	.	.	.	\$494.00	
Appropriation, 1910	.	.	.	.	3,500.00	
Amount awarded in 1909 and refunded in 1910	.	.	.	.	8.00	
					<u> </u>	\$4,002.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Class No. 1 to 107 applicants	.	.		\$963.00	
Class No. 2 to 89 applicants	.	.		801.00	
Class No. 3 to 96 applicants	.	.		864.00	
Class No. 4 to 78 applicants	.	.		702.00	
Total to 370 applicants	.	.		<u>\$3,330.00</u>	
Balance to 1911	.	.	.	672.00	
				<u> </u>	<u>\$4,002.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. PARKER CRITTENDEN,

President of the Board.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1910.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

*Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The Masonic year just closing has been one of peace and prosperity for the Fraternity in this Grand Jurisdiction.

There have been some few acts of Subordinate Lodges which had to be corrected; but with possibly three exceptions, in which the investigations have not yet been closed, these acts have sprung either from clerical mistakes or ignorance on the part of the officers involved, and in no case did they seem to require any further penalty than a reprimand.

PROFICIENCY.

In dealing with cases of this character, it must always be borne in mind that this Grand Lodge itself has not as yet discharged its full duty in the matter of providing for instructing the Subordinate Lodges and their officers, or in requiring proper evidence of competency before permitting the installation of new officers.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

A great and beneficent work has been done by the Schools of Instruction which have been established in this Temple and in various districts throughout the State.

These Schools have stimulated the interest of the Brethren in the ritualistic work of the Fraternity, and have produced almost absolute uniformity in the work and ceremonies throughout this Jurisdiction, and have developed a large

number of intelligent Brethren eager and able to carry on the work.

During the year three Schools of Instruction have been established, viz.: at Huntingdon, Sharon and New Brighton, respectively. The report of the Temple School shows a present membership of 1101 and that during the year instructions were given to 2133 Brethren representing 255 Lodges.

The benefit of this to the Fraternity cannot be overestimated; and those Brethren whose wisdom and foresight led to the establishment of these Schools are entitled to our gratitude.

The time has come, however, when the Grand Lodge must take a step forward. We have provided proper Schools of Instruction where the Brethren can conveniently learn all of the ritualistic work which they are capable of learning, and we have required that candidates seeking advancement should show a reasonable proficiency in the degrees they have received before any further advancement can be accorded them.

PROFICIENCY OF MASTERS AND WARDENS.

We teach that official advancement must depend upon merit, not favor; and from time immemorial it has been recognized as one of the duties of the Grand Master to see that those elected to office in Subordinate Lodges are proficient in the work and capable of performing the duties of the office before their installation.

In the Ancient Charges this duty is clearly expressed: the power of the Grand Master not only to require this information before installation, but also to remove an incompetent officer after installation, in order that the "Lord's work" may be well done and the Brethren protected from discredit and shame, is fully recognized.

In the ceremony of the constitution of a new Lodge, the

Grand Master, or his representative, before installing the Worshipful Master-elect, is required to ascertain that he is "well skilled in the noble science and the royal art."

Appreciating the responsibility in this matter which rests upon the Grand Master, and fully conscious of the confusion, and sometimes serious injury, which often occurs from the fact that the Worshipful Master and Wardens are ignorant of matters which they should be required to know before their installation, I have determined to require the District Deputy Grand Masters to make arrangements for the instruction of the Worshipful Masters and Wardens of Lodges in their respective Districts, so that they may hereafter be able to certify, before installing the officers-elect of an old Lodge, as is done in the case of those of a new Lodge, that they are "well skilled in the noble science and the royal art."

These Schools of Instruction should provide for the instruction of the officers in those portions of the Ahiman Rezon which most directly concern their duties and a reasonable instruction in the "Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of the Fraternity," and edicts, decisions and regulations of the Grand Masters and of the Grand Lodge with the administration of which they are charged.

While I do not expect that the officers will, in the space of one year, be able completely and thoroughly to familiarize themselves with the beautiful system of jurisprudence of our Fraternity; still they can be sufficiently instructed to enable them to safely enter upon the discharge of their duties without danger to themselves, their Lodges, or the best interests of the whole Fraternity; and they can learn enough to stimulate them to continue their studies and thereby better qualify themselves for further advancement.

By this system we will not only prevent avoidable confusion in the administration of the affairs of the Lodges; but by the learning thus imparted, we will give to all those who choose to avail themselves of it, the benefit and ad-

vantage of the learning which will be of the greatest advantage to them in broadening and developing their conceptions of justice and equity among men.

In this connection, I desire to point out to you that the Grand Lodge of Maryland has always required that before a Worshipful Master is installed he shall show his learning and qualification for the office to the satisfaction of a "Committee for the examination of the Masters-elect," or to the Grand Inspector of his Lodge.

While the instruction for the establishment of these Schools goes into effect at once, the requirement of evidence of proficiency from a Worshipful Master-elect is postponed until next year. This has been done in a spirit of fairness. The Wardens of the Lodges now have notice and a year's opportunity to prepare for the test. A failure to qualify for the test can only be due either to their indifference or incapacity. In either case, the interests of the Fraternity and of their Lodges require that they should not be advanced.

MASONIC HOME AT ELIZABETHTOWN.

The work of the establishment of the new Masonic Home at Elizabethtown is going steadily forward in the care of the Committee on Masonic Homes.

I do not consider it necessary to say anything in regard to those matters which were fully and instructively covered by the report of the Committee read by Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS at the December Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge.

You will be interested to know, however, that bids were received on December 6th for the erection of the main building, according to the plans which have been exhibited. On an examination and comparison of these bids, the Committee decided to reject them all and to require a revision of the plans and specifications, which we expect to have completed by to-morrow, the 28th inst. When that

has been done, the Committee will immediately call for new bids.

Should the result be satisfactory, we hope to lay the corner-stone, with proper ceremonies, some time in the spring.

This, if accomplished, will be a worthy commemoration of the 125th year of the independence of this Grand Lodge.

No nobler work could be undertaken by us, and no better evidence of our gratitude to the Grand Architect of the Universe, for the peace and prosperity with which he has blessed us during the years past, could be given.

OTHER GRAND LODGES.

In company with Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY, I paid an official visit to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maryland on Wednesday, November 16th, and took part in the installation of Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK as Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in Maryland.

We were received with due honors and the abundant hospitality which has always characterized the Brethren in Maryland.

I have received an invitation from the Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in Virginia to attend a gathering to be held in Alexandria, Virginia, on Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1911, when the erection of "A MEMORIAL TO WASHINGTON AS A MASON" will be commenced at that place where the Lodge of which he was a member was located.

An invitation has been issued to this and other Grand Lodges, to unite under some form of incorporation in the erection and maintenance of this memorial. The invitation received by this Grand Lodge has been referred to the Committee on Landmarks. Pending its consideration by that Committee, no action will be taken on it.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Several complaints have been made to me during the year alleging that some of the District Deputy Grand Masters have been too strict in requiring evidence of proficiency before granting Dispensations to "pass the Chair." These complaints have been investigated; but in no case have I found them justified.

DISPENSATIONS TO PASS THE CHAIR.

At the last Annual Grand Communication, Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY made use of the following language: "The District Deputy Grand Masters should make it plain, beyond a possible doubt, that the three symbolic degrees in Freemasonry represent an independent, sovereign organization; and that its degrees are not to be indifferently conferred, nor any requisite waived, in order to make them a preparatory service for divergent or secondary bodies or associations."

This is a well-established rule of this Grand Lodge. Having provided ample means for the adequate instruction of candidates, no sincere Mason of sufficient intelligence has any excuse for not being able to show the degree of proficiency required on the application for a Dispensation to "pass the Chair."

Of course, it is not intended that the candidate for this advancement should be able to show the proficiency justly required from one asking to be installed as Worshipful Master of a Lodge; but he should be able to pass such an examination as would enable him to prove that he is a Master Mason when seeking admission to a Lodge where he is unknown.

This is all that has ever been required, so far as I can learn; and with all the opportunities provided, one who does not, or cannot, acquire such a degree of proficiency is no addition to the Lodge, and will be no addition to any other body in which he seeks membership.

THOS. CARMICK MANUSCRIPT.

The production of the manuscript entitled "Constitution of the Holy St. John's Lodge" (called for identification the "Thos. Carmick manuscript"), as fully explained by Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY, at the Annual Grand Communication on St. John the Evangelist's Day, A.D. 1908, has excited interest among English speaking Masons.

At a meeting of the Quartuor Coronati Lodge, held in London in 1909, it was the subject of a very earnest discussion which was participated in by Brothers W. J. HUGHAN, WILLIAM WATSON, E. L. HAWKINS, J. P. SIMPSON and SONGHURST, all of whom recognized and acknowledged its importance from a historical stand-point.

The only discordant note in the discussion of this manuscript, so far as I have heard, has come from our late Most Worshipful Brother NICKERSON, Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Brother NICKERSON was very bitter in his references to this manuscript and made statements which, I believe, sprang from ignorance of its history, and are excusable on account of his physical condition at the time—a condition which I am very sorry to say, resulted shortly afterwards in his death.

Brother NICKERSON's assumption that the manuscript belonged to the early days of Pittsburgh is entirely erroneous. It never came to Pittsburgh until a few years ago, when it was brought there by Brother PERSIFOR F. SMITH, a grandson of Brother PERSIFOR FRAZIER, who received it in the distribution of the personal property of his grandfather after the latter's death.

There is no question that Thos. Carmick was of Scotch or Irish ancestry; and there is no question either that the Carmick family and General PERSIFOR FRAZIER were prominent and respected people in Philadelphia and its neighbor-

hood during the Colonial period; General FRAZIER himself served with distinction throughout the Revolutionary War.

We also know that General FRAZIER was a Mason; though we do not know in what Lodge he was made, the first record we have being his admission to Lodge No. 8 as a Past Master.

From the character of these people we have a right to assert that when Thos. Carmick signed this manuscript with his own name and dated it 1727, the manuscript was in his possession on that date; and when General FRAZIER signed his name to it in 1756 he endorsed Thos. Carmick's entry and established the fact that he, at that time a Past Master, was in 1756 the owner of the manuscript and accepted it as genuine.

Such evidence of the genuineness of an ancient document would be accepted in a court of law.

The manuscript was in the possession of General FRAZIER in his lifetime and at the time of his death. Its possession and the genuineness of his signature have been established by the declaration of his descendants and by comparison with signatures to other papers in their possession.

The proof of the antiquity of St. John's Lodge of Philadelphia, however, does not depend on the genuineness of this document alone.

The minute book of that Lodge, marked Liber B, now in the possession of this Grand Lodge, commences with the minutes of a meeting held June 24, A.D. 1731. Any one examining this book will be absolutely convinced that it is the continuance of records from another book, not only from its title (Liber B); but also because the minutes themselves and the accounts at the end of the book show that fact. (Those interested in the History of this Lodge are referred for further information to the very able paper by Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON.)

Unquestionably, the evidence warrants the conclusions reached by Brother HUGHAN, that a Masonic Lodge (if not more than one) was working in Philadelphia for some time prior to 1730; and this conclusion is not at all affected by Brother NICKERSON's assertion that the settlers in the Colonies of Massachusetts and Virginia were of a higher social class than those in Pennsylvania even if it be true. If Brother NICKERSON were here I think he would confess that the question of a Brother's Masonry should never be affected by his social position.

It is idle at this time, however, to renew the old controversy concerning the alleged superiority of the settlers of Virginia and Massachusetts over the settlers of other colonies. It is sufficient to say that although the settlement at Philadelphia was later than those at Boston and Jamestown, and although in the early days the population of Boston and Massachusetts was ahead of that of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania to-day is the second State in the Union; and in the early days when the very life of the country was at stake, Pennsylvania treated the aborigines with fairness and lived with them in peace, held open what has been well denominated as the "Gateway of the West," and thereby made the United States of America a possibility.

So far as the character of our ancestors is concerned we can stand on that record. We do not feel impelled to seek to belittle others in order that we may appear great by contrast.

Brother JAMES I. BUCHANAN, of St. John's Lodge, No. 219, F. and A. M., has presented to me for the Grand Lodge, a duly certified copy of the minutes of Barton Lodge, No. 10 (old number), of Hamilton, Canada, showing that on December 12, A.D. 1800, on receipt of a communication from this Grand Lodge announcing the death of Washington, it was resolved that the Lodge should go into mourn-

ing at their public and private meetings for six months out of respect to his memory.

This evidence of the early restoration of fraternal regard after the bitterness of the Revolutionary War should be perpetuated and the record preserved in the Library of the Grand Lodge.

I have also received, from Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, a copy of an article by David Vinton, of Providence, published in the *Masonick Minstrel* of Dedham, Massachusetts, in 1816, containing "An architectural description of the new Masonick Hall, Philadelphia, and a copy of the inscription on the foundation stone." This interesting paper should also be preserved, and with Brother LAMBERTON'S permission will also be delivered to the Library for preservation. It is as follows:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW MASONICK HALL, PHILADELPHIA.

THIS new gothic structure is situated on the north side Chestnut, between Seventh and Eighth streets, and is a chaste specimen of that order.

The design was adopted by the grand lodge of Pennsylvania, Nov. 21, A.D. 1808; and the foundation stone laid in masonick form in the northeast corner of the building on the 17th of April, 1809, at 8 o'clock in the morning.

The building measures in front from east to west 82 feet and in breadth from north to south 69. It stands from the portae or gateways (which are immediately upon the line of the street) 50 feet, a distance calculated to exhibit its general effect at one view.

The brick work in front is supported by buttresses of parti-coloured marble, enriched with niches for statues, which are capped with triangular pinnacles, and connected together by an embattled parapet, coped with marble.

The principal entrance into the hall is by a large and

elegant flight of steps, occupying the whole space between the two centre buttresses; through a door-way with raised pannels of curled maple, the jambs splayed and ornamented with clustered reeds, over which is a circular window 4 feet in diameter, enriched with tracery, which admits light to the vestibule. The frontispiece on either side of the door, is composed of columns and wainscoting supporting triangular pinnacles ornamented with tracery.

The windows on each side of the centre buttresses, are divided by mullions into three compartments, which divaricate from the springing and terminate in the crown of the arch.

That part of the front between the two centre buttresses, being rough cast, and the most ornamented part of the building, gives the brick-work on either side the effect of wings (although upon the same plane) which breaks the line of sameness, and produces a beautiful contrast.

The steeple is built of wood in stories, and rises out of the roof in the centre of the building; its whole height from the ground being 180 feet. The first story is 20 feet square, with clustered columns on the corners, surmounted by a cornice and embattled parapet.

The second story is 14 feet square with one column upon each corner, also surmounted by a cornice and embattled parapet, ornamented with niches and windows on all sides. Within the battlements of this story, springs an octagonal spire, capped by a ball, cardinal points, square, and compasses, &c.

The building was designed by brother William Strickland, architect, and executed by brother John Darrah, master builder, under the immediate direction of the following brethren, composing a building committee, viz.: George A. Baker, P. Le Barbier Duplessis, Richard Tybout, Thomas Passmore.

The following is a copy of the inscription on the founda-

tion stone, the dimensions of which are 4 feet 2 inches in length, and 2 feet in breadth:

" ANNO SUMMÆ REPUBLICÆ
 FEDERATÆ LIBERTATIS XXXIII.
 SALUTIS HUMANÆ M. D. C. C. C. J. X. MENSIS
 APRILIS DIE XVII.
 HUNC PRIMUM LAPIDEM
 PENNSYLVANIENSIS LATOMORUM AULÆ
 POSUERIT
 HONORATISSIMUS JACOBUS MILNOR EQUES
 SUMMUS LATOMORUM PENNSYLVANIÆ
 MAGISTER
 ASSIDENTIBUS
 VIRO ORNATISSIMO PETRO LE BARBIER DUPLESSIS EQUITE
 SUMMI MAGISTRI DEPUTATO
 VIRIS ORNATISSIMIS
 RIC. TYBOUT ET ROB. POALK SUMMIS GUBERNATORIBUS
 PLAUDENTE AMPLISSIMA FRATRUM CORONA."

We are happy to find that brother William Strickland, whose talents as an architect stand unrivalled, has published an engraving of the eminently magnificent structure. It certainly is the most beautiful masonick temple erected since the days of Solomon. We doubt not that the remuneration will be equivalent to the talents of the artist; as we hope this picture will adorn every lodge in the Union.

Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Massachusetts, has furnished the Library with a duplicate set of Masonic clothing, consisting of Apron, Collar and Jewel, worn by him as Grand Master.

APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments were made by me to fill vacancies caused by deaths:

January 31. Brother ROBERT W. MONTGOMERY, of Lodge No. 441, a Trustee of the Stephen Girard Bequest, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

June 6. Brother COLIN DEANS, JR., of Lodge No. 456,

a Steward of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

June 27. Brother JOHN D. CASSELL, of Lodge No. 419, an Almoner of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

July 19. Brother WILLIAM WILKIE, of Lodge No. 296, a Steward of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

ANNIVERSARIES.

During the year several Lodges have celebrated the hundredth anniversary of their constitution:

Lodge No. 43, at Lancaster, celebrated its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary.

Hermann Lodge, No. 125, at Philadelphia, the oldest Lodge in this country working in the German language, celebrated its hundredth anniversary.

NEW LODGES.

Four new Lodges were constituted during the year 1910, as follows:

March 12, *Moosic Lodge, No. 664, at Moosic*, Lackawanna County, was constituted by Brother THOMAS F. WELLS, District Deputy Grand Master of the 13th District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

March 19. *Friendship Lodge, No. 663, at Fawn Grove*, York County, was constituted by Brother JOHN W. LANSINGER, District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

September 9. *Ephrata Lodge, No. 665, at Ephrata*, Lancaster County, was constituted by the Grand Master, assisted by a corps of Grand Lodge Officers.

October 1. *Brownstone Lodge, No. 666, at Hummels-town*, Dauphin County, was constituted by Brother WILLIAM M. DONALDSON, District Deputy Grand Master of the 2d District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

DISPENSATIONS.

I have issued the following Dispensations:

To Brother JOHN W. LANSINGER, District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st District, to constitute Friendship Lodge, No. 663, at Fawn Grove.

To Brother THOMAS F. WELLS, District Deputy Grand Master of the 13th District, to constitute Moosic Lodge, No. 664, at Moosic.

To Brother WILLIAM M. DONALDSON, District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd District, to constitute Brownstone Lodge No. 666, at Hummelstown.

To Brother JOHN G. HESS, District Deputy Grand Master of the 18th District, to lay the corner-stone of a Masonic building at Jersey Shore.

To Brother JAMES McLAREN, District Deputy Grand Master of the 32d District, to lay the corner-stone of a new Masonic Hall at Millvale Borough.

To Brother SAMUEL HAMILTON, District Deputy Grand Master of the 38th District, to lay the corner-stone of a church at Wilmerding.

To Lodge No. 219, at Pittsburgh, to hold a special election for Junior Warden, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from this Jurisdiction.

To hold special election for Treasurer to fill vacancy caused by death:

To Lodge No. 305 at Hawley.

To Lodge No. 328 at Jackson.

To Lodge No. 345 at Scranton.

To Lodge No. 562 at Scottdale.

CORNER-STONES.

February 24. The corner-stone of the new Masonic Hall at Millvale Borough, Allegheny County, was laid by Brother JAMES McLAREN, District Deputy Grand Master of the 32d District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

May 31. Accompanied by the Grand Lodge Officers, I laid the corner-stone of the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital of Huntingdon, at that place.

July 6. The corner-stone of the Episcopal Mission Church at Wilmerding was laid by Brother SAMUEL HAMILTON, District Deputy Grand Master of the 38th District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

Nov. 5. The corner-stone of a new Masonic building at Jersey Shore was laid by Brother JOHN G. HESS, District Deputy Grand Master of the 18th District, assisted by a corps of Officers of the Grand Lodge.

EDICTS.

During the year it has been my unpleasant duty to issue a large number of edicts to Lodges, Officers, and Brethren, for non-compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, as follows:

March 7, 1910, I issued the following circular letter to all Lodges in this Jurisdiction:

To the Worshipful Master, Officers, and Brethren of the Lodge:

I desire to call your attention to the following part of the circular letter, issued by Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother CLIFFORD P. MACCALLA, July 1, 1890:

“My predecessors have issued a large number of Edicts, and I have also issued not a few, striking the names of members of Lodges from the roll, and annulling their initiation, and even their passing and raising, because the Secretary of the Lodge had failed to inquire of the Grand Secretary concerning them under their correct names, or had made no inquiry whatever. In all such cases the innocent candidate has suffered, while the Secretary has escaped. I have long felt the injustice of this course, and have concluded to remedy it. After September 1, 1890, whenever the Secretary of a Lodge inaccurately forwards to the Grand Secretary the name of any petitioner for initiation and membership, or for membership only, or omits to inquire altogether, and the

candidate is initiated, crafted or raised under a name other than the one given in the inquiry addressed to the Grand Secretary, or without any inquiry, in every such case, for the first offence the Secretary of the Lodge will be officially reprimanded by the Right Worshipful Grand Master, and for the second offence he will be suspended from his office as Secretary."

Notwithstanding this order, the faults against which it was directed still continue, frequently leading to great hardships to individuals and injury to the Fraternity; therefore I desire to give due notice to all concerned that it will be rigorously enforced.

It is the duty of the Secretary of the Lodge to see that all names in petitions and in the returns to the Grand Secretary correspond and are plainly written, so as to be readily deciphered; and of the Master, to see that the name of the petitioner be correctly given in the petition, in the reports to and from the Grand Secretary, in the inquiry to and reply from the Lodge nearest the place of residence (in case inquiry be required), and in the notices to the members of the Lodge, before action be taken.

You are directed to have this letter read in open Lodge, at the next stated meeting, and copied in full in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at the City of Philadelphia, this seventh day of March, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
Grand Master.

July 20, 1910, I issued the following circular letter to all Lodges in this Jurisdiction:

To the Worshipful Master of the Lodge:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

As it is necessary in this and in many other Jurisdictions, that either a Grand Lodge Certificate or a receipt for dues, for the preceding year, with the seal of the Lodge attached,

be presented before entering upon the examination of a visitor who cannot be lawfully vouched for, I have caused the enclosed forms of Receipt for Dues and Receipt for Life Membership, to be prepared for the use of the Lodges; and do hereby direct that this form and no other, shall be used by the Lodges in this Jurisdiction, and issued to a Brother on his request.

Form of Recelpt with seal attached, to be issued by Lodges in Pennsylvania when requested.

.....Lodge No.....F. and A. M.

At a {special
stated} meeting of.....Lodge No.....
F. & A. M., held at....., Pennsylvania, on the
.....day of....., A. D....., A. L....., dues were received from
Brother....., amounting to.....
dollars, in full to.....

\$.....

[SEAL]

Extract from the minutes.

Attest :Secretary.

NOTE.—When payment is made between meetings and an immediate receipt is desired, this form may be altered, in accordance with the facts.

Form of Receipt with seal attached, to be issued by Lodges in Pennsylvania.

.....Lodge No.....F. and A. M.

At a stated meeting of.....Lodge No.....
F. & A. M., held at....., Pennsylvania, on the.....day of
....., A. D....., A. L....., Brother.....
having complied with Article....., Section.....of the By-Laws, was
constituted a LIFE MEMBER and thereby exempt from dues.

[SEAL]

Extract from the minutes.

Attest :Secretary.

These forms may be printed with the name, number, and location of the Lodge, inserted in the blank spaces; but receipts are not to be signed in blank, or have the seal of the Lodge attached, until payment is made by the Brother to whom it is to be given. The seal must not be printed on the receipt.

Yours fraternally,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
Grand Master.

August 31, 1910, I issued the following circular letter to all Lodges in this Jurisdiction:

To the Worshipful Master of the Lodge:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

The Committee on Landmarks, after due deliberation, has decided that the display on Lodge notices of Masonic symbols suggestive of the teachings and ceremonials of the Fraternity is improper and must be discontinued.

Lodges are recommended to follow the practice of the Grand Lodge itself and omit all unnecessary ornamentation on their notices. Many Lodges do so; but others have adopted and are using ornamental designs, in some of which Masonic symbols are improperly displayed.

As the time is now approaching when the various Lodges order their stationery for the year, I have thought it expedient to specifically call your attention to this decision that having due notice you may govern yourself accordingly.

If your Lodge desires to adopt, or to continue to use, notices decorated with unnecessary and meaningless designs, it is permitted to do so; but it must not make use of any representation of the Altar, the greater or lesser lights, or any other distinguishing symbols peculiar to Freemasonry and suggestive of its rituals and ceremonies.

In case your Lodge desires to adopt or continue to use decorated notices, it would be advisable to submit the designs to the Grand Master before doing so.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

I must, also, call your attention to the fact that it is not permitted to print lists of Lodges members, except in connection with and as part of the bound copies of the By-laws, or to give to any person copies of the list of members, unless authorized by the Grand Master or required by the Grand Lodge.

It is right and proper to permit a Brother to have in connection with a copy of the By-laws of his Lodge, a list of his fellow members; but persons not members of the Lodge have no Masonic use for such lists and should not be supplied with them. Should there arise any Masonic purpose for giving such a list under any other conditions, the approval of the Grand Master must first be obtained.

Such lists of members in the hands of persons not entitled to them may be, and have been, used for business and other purposes not Masonic. This has caused complaint and is liable to bring reproach on the Fraternity.

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
Grand Master.

EDICTS AND DECISIONS.

I issued an edict against the admission of Louis Seiger (claiming to be a member of a Lodge in another Jurisdiction), as a visitor to our Lodges. As a matter of information to us, we had been advised that he had been expelled.

Set aside the action of a Lodge in acting upon petitions for initiation and membership, where names had been incor-

rectly given to the Grand Secretary, by the Secretary of the Lodge, in making inquiries.

Set aside the action of a Lodge in approving and initiating a petitioner, who had been previously rejected in another Lodge in this Jurisdiction.

Set aside the action of a Lodge in taking a second ballot on a petition contrary to the Ahiman Rezon.

Set aside the action of a Lodge in Philadelphia and declared it null and void, because said Lodge approved and initiated a petitioner residing outside of that city, without making due inquiry of a Lodge nearest his place of residence.

Set aside the action of a Lodge because the name, inquired of the Grand Secretary, proved not to be the proper name of the petitioner.

Set aside the action of a Master who declared a petition for initiation and membership null and void because of residence. A man may petition any Lodge he desires, whether a resident of Pennsylvania or not; but if a resident of this Jurisdiction and not a resident of the place in which the Lodge is held, inquiry must be made of the Lodge nearest his place of residence, as to whether it has any Masonic objection. If he is not a resident of this Jurisdiction, per-

mission to act on his petition must be requested of the Grand Master, who will inquire of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge having jurisdiction.

Declared the office of Junior Warden of a Lodge vacant, because of the removal of that officer from this Jurisdiction.

Declared the offices of Warden and Treasurer of a Lodge incompatible, and that the election of the Senior Warden as Treasurer of the Lodge was void, and that as the office of Treasurer was vacant the Worshipful Master must fill the office by appointing a qualified Brother, Acting Treasurer at each meeting, until a Treasurer shall have been elected and installed.

Forbade the Secretary of a Lodge enclosing and sending to the members, a form of petition for initiation and membership, with monthly notices of the meeting.

Forbade a Brother advertising or using the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, as his office or trading place, for his personal business.

Forbade solicitation for life insurance in a Masonic Lodge or its adjoining rooms.

Forbade the reading of circular letters, other than Masonic, in any of the Lodges, unless permission be first given by the Grand Master.

Refused to issue a Dispensation to advance a Brother before a Masonic month had elapsed, as no satisfactory reason was given for granting the request.

Refused a request from the authorities of a church, to take up a collection for the benefit of said church, at the time of laying its corner-stone by the Grand Lodge Officers.

Permitted a Lodge to appear in public, under certain restrictions, to attend the ceremonies of the unveiling of a monument to a hero.

Permitted a Lodge which works in the German language, to perform the work in English on an approved petitioner.

Permitted a Lodge in Philadelphia to hold its next annual banquet outside of the Masonic Temple, at a place to be chosen by the Master. The place was one which could be properly safeguarded from intruders and eavesdroppers, and where no intoxicating liquors of any kind would be introduced and used on that occasion.

Directed the officers of a Lodge to furnish a withdrawal certificate, dated as of the date of its issue (not antedated), and signed by the present officers, to a Brother who had resigned from the Lodge some years ago, and to whom a certificate, as provided by the Ahiman Rezon, had not been given.

Directed that a copy of every Lodge notice should be sent to the Grand Master's office, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

Directed the attention of the Master of a Lodge, to his unlawful withholding of an unfavorable report of a Committee of Inquiry. Neither the Master nor any other member of a Lodge has a right to interfere with the duties of a Committee of Inquiry, when that Committee is acting in accordance with the Ahiman Rezon.

Reprimanded the Master of a Lodge for advancing, without a Dispensation, two candidates before a Masonic month had elapsed; but healed the irregularity, as it was not intentional, but a mistake.

Reprimanded the officers of a Lodge for holding its stated meetings during the past eleven months, on the wrong dates, contrary to the By-laws; as Amendments to By-laws approved by a Lodge have no force or effect until they are approved by the Grand Lodge, and until notice of such latter approval, sent by the Grand Secretary, is read in open Lodge at its stated meeting.

Reprimanded the Secretary of a Lodge for carelessness, in omitting the middle name of a petitioner, when reporting it to the Grand Secretary.

Healed the unlawful action of a Lodge, in acting upon petitions for initiation and membership, where the names of the petitioners had been incorrectly reported to the Grand Secretary, by the Secretary; the Lodge having unanimously adopted a resolution, after notice to the members, requesting me to allow its action to stand.

Healed the unlawful actions of a Lodge in receiving petitions, approving and rejecting petitioners, and the transaction of all other business of the Lodge at a meeting, which, from a misunderstanding of its officers, was held at a time contrary to the By-laws.

Healed the action of a Lodge in meeting on May 17th instead of May 24th, owing to a mistake concerning the date of the full moon, the officers having used a wrong calendar.

Instructed the Master of a Lodge, not to advance a candidate who is said not to be under the tongue of good Masonic report when charges are about to be preferred.

Instructed the Master of a Lodge that it was his duty to see that there was a reasonable and sufficient number of black balls in the ballot-box before the ballot was taken.

Not less than ten or twelve black balls should be in the ballot box, as well as a sufficient number of white balls, to accommodate the average number of members present.

“Every member of a Lodge present, unless excused by the Master, on his own application, shall vote upon this ballot,” as shown by Section 4, page 62, Ahiman Rezon.

Instructed the Secretary of a Lodge that the names of petitioners for membership or initiation and membership, in the notices of meetings, must not be written, but printed or stamped, because in that way we can secure greater assurance that the correct name goes to each member.

Notified the Secretary of a Lodge that it is forbidden to sign, seal or issue, to a Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, any certificate as to the standing of a member.

A Master having at first announced a motion carried on a viva voce vote, became doubtful, himself, as to the correctness of his decision and immediately ordered a test vote, on which the motion was clearly lost.

I decided that the Master had the power to do this, that the motion was not carried and must be so entered in the minutes.

The action of a Lodge in accepting a resignation, at the same meeting at which it was presented, when no allegation of emergency was made, was irregular, and it was perfectly proper for the Lodge to reconsider its action and lay the matter over until its next stated meeting.

Oral objection to a petitioner for initiation and membership, should not be entertained until after a favorable report has been made by the Committee, and the petitioner approved by ballot, as shown by Section 7, page 64, Ahiman Rezon. If such objection be offered prior thereto, the Master must not entertain it then, but must inform the objector of the proper time for making it.

QUALIFICATION OF PETITIONERS.

A dwarf not four feet in height is not such a one as to be made a Mason.

A youth under age can not be made a Mason; unless by the exercise of the prerogative of the Grand Master.

The fact that a petitioner for initiation and membership is a full-blooded Indian does not disqualify him, if he is otherwise qualified.

RECOMMENDERS.

A petition for membership or for initiation and membership is incomplete when one of the recommenders has no personal knowledge of the petitioner and signs because he has confidence in the other recommender. A member has no right to sign as a recommender, unless he himself knows that the petitioner is worthy.

Each recommender must be acquainted with the petitioner and must be able of his own knowledge, independent of the other, to recommend him as worthy.

RESIDENCE.

The correct residence of a petitioner is the place where he resides at the time his petition is read in the Lodge. If he petitions for initiation and membership and removes after it is signed and before it is presented to the Lodge, inquiry must be made of the Lodge nearest his place of new residence, if within this Jurisdiction. Temporary or unstable domicile in this Jurisdiction cannot be accepted as residence.

When a petitioner for initiation and membership has not been a bonafide resident of this Jurisdiction for one year, immediately preceding the presentation of his petition, he

has to be treated as a resident of the Jurisdiction in which he resided for the year preceding his removal into this, and before any action can be taken upon his petition, a waiver of Jurisdiction must be obtained, by the Grand Master of this Jurisdiction, from the Grand Master of the other.

LODGE ROOMS.

A room in a Masonic building must not be rented to the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

A Masonic Lodge in this Jurisdiction cannot meet in a room in which the Order of the Eastern Star meets.

There is no objection to a Lodge of Odd Fellows meeting in the same rooms in which a Masonic Lodge meets, provided all the property, clothing, etc., of the latter is first removed.

Masonic Lodges are not permitted to meet in a building in which intoxicating liquor is sold or dispensed, if the building is called a Masonic Hall or Temple.

Masonic Lodges are not permitted to hold their meetings in buildings not designated as Masonic, in which intoxicating liquor is sold or dispensed; unless no other suitable place of meeting can be secured, and then, only when a separate and exclusive entrance from the street to the Lodge rooms is provided.

LODGE NOTICES.

Lodge notices must be complete in themselves, and must not be supplemented by loose slips or cards, even though they may be enclosed with the notices.

OFFICERS OF LODGES.

An officer of a Lodge who has been duly elected and installed, cannot resign his office. If unable to attend the meetings of his Lodge during any portion of the year for which he has been elected and installed, the Master may appoint an Acting Officer to fill his station and perform his duties, but only from meeting to meeting.

An officer of a Lodge is not required to reside in the city or town in which the Lodge is located, but he must be a resident of this Jurisdiction.

The Master and Wardens must not absent themselves from a meeting of their Lodge even to attend a meeting of a co-ordinate body of Masonry.

A Master does not become a permanent member of the Grand Lodge unless he serves as Master of a Lodge in this Jurisdiction from Saint John the Evangelist's Day in one year until the corresponding day of the succeeding year.

TRUSTEES BONDED.

A Lodge may adopt and insert a section in its By-laws requiring the bonding of the Trustees.

ERRORS OF SECRETARIES.

When, through carelessness of the Secretary of the Lodge, the name of a petitioner is not correctly given in the inquiry

addressed to the Grand Secretary, and in the notices to the members, a resolution must be offered, requesting the Grand Master to heal the irregularity, laid over one month and notice given to the members. Then, if unanimously adopted, the Grand Master will act.

GOOD MASONIC REPORT AND TRIAL.

An Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Mason may be tried upon the charge of not being under the tongue of good Masonic report. The membership of a Lodge should be purged.

All of the proceedings in the trial on such charges must be in a Lodge of the degree to which the accused member has attained.

CHANGE OF NAME OF MEMBER.

When a Brother desires to have his name changed on the records of the Lodge, he must petition the Lodge, setting forth the reasons for the change. If the petition is approved by a majority vote of the Lodge, permission will be granted to make the change.

FORMS.

The forms printed in the Ahiman Rezon will not be changed or altered by the Grand Master to meet conditions not provided for therein.

FREEMASONRY USED IN BUSINESS.

Masonic Lodges are not permitted to engage in business transactions. The Ahiman Rezon, page 189, prohibits the use of Masonic communications or Masonic emblems, in business transactions.

VISITATIONS.

I have made the following visitations in this Jurisdiction during the year 1910:

January 19, to Franklin Lodge No. 221 at Pittsburgh.

February 19, to St. John's Lodge No. 115 at Philadelphia, at the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary.

April 19, to Lodge No. 43 at Lancaster, at the celebration of its 125th Anniversary.

May 31, Grand Visitation to Mount Moriah Lodge No. 300 at Huntingdon.

September 8, to Hyde Park Lodge No. 339 at Scranton, at the celebration of its Semi-centennial Anniversary.

October 13, Grand Visitation to Brethren in Uniontown in Lodge No. 228.

November 1, Grand Visitation to Brethren in Johnstown, members of Lodges Nos. 278 and 538.

November 10, to Perseverance Lodge No. 21 at Harrisburg, at the celebration of its 131st Anniversary.

November 25, to University Lodge No. 610 at Philadelphia.

November 26, to Union Lodge No. 121 at Philadelphia, at the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary.

December 19, to Washington Lodge No. 253 at Pittsburgh.

December 20, to McKinley Lodge No. 318 at Pittsburgh, North Side.

I sincerely regret, that owing to circumstances arising over which I had no control, I was unable to visit other Lodges whose kind invitations I had accepted early and to which I had looked forward with much pleasure. One in particular was Hermann Lodge No. 125, at Philadelphia, which was constituted with authority to work in the German language and whose Centennial Anniversary was celebrated December 14, 1910.

So much of the minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held December 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, as relates to the election of Grand Officers and the Committee on Masonic Homes, was read.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother G. LAYTON GRIER, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HARRY J. GUTHRIE, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother THOMAS J. DAY, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ROBERT K. STEPHENSON and Grand Marshal Brother GEORGE B. HYNSON, of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, were pleased to visit the Grand Lodge and were received with the customary honors.

The following Brethren were duly installed in their respective stations for the ensuing Masonic year, were thrice proclaimed as such, and received the salutations of the Craft:

- Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,
Right Worshipful Grand Master.
- Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS,
Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.
- Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS,
Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.
- Brother LOUIS A. WATRES,
Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.
- Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG,
Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.
- Brother WILLIAM A. SINN,
Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

APPOINTMENTS.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE announced the following appointments for the present Masonic year :

Grand Chaplains:

- Bro. JAMES W. ROBINS, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 121.
- Bro. CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, of Pittsburgh.
Lodge No. 221.
- Bro. J. GRAY BOLTON, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 59.
- Bro. GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS, of New Brighton.
Lodge No. 219.
- Bro. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 236.
- Bro. GEO. W. MACLAUGHLIN, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 114.
- Bro. FRANK B. LYNCH, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 528.
- Bro. CHARLES H. BOND, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 456.
- Bro. THOMAS M. JACKSON, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 126.
- Bro. ROBERT HUNTER, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 59.
- Bro. WILLIAM B. WOOD, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 481.
- Bro. JOSEPH W. MILES, of Pittsburgh.
Lodge No. 513.
- Bro. JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 246.
- Bro. JAMES H. DARLINGTON, of Harrisburg.
Lodge No. 21.
- Bro. DAVID L. FERRIS, of Pittsburgh.
Lodge No. 321.
- Bro. RICHARD MONTGOMERY, of Philadelphia.
Lodge No. 289.

Senior Grand Deacon:

Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.....Lodge No. 21

Junior Grand Deacon:

Bro. HARRY F. HAWKINS.....Lodge No. 478

Grand Stewards:

Bro. J. HARRIS MUSSINA.....Lodge No. 199

Bro. HARRY J. BELL.....Lodge No. 614

Grand Marshal:

Bro. J. WARNER HUTCHINS.....Lodge No. 91

Grand Sword Bearer:

Bro. GEORGE M. McCANDLESS...Lodge No. 576

Grand Pursuivant:

Bro. CHARLES S. BAIR.....Lodge No. 610

Grand Tyler:

Bro. WILLIAM B. JOSLYN.....Lodge No. 274

Secretary to Grand Master:

Bro. SAMUEL W. WRAY.....Lodge No. 121

Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund:

Bro. STOCKTON BATES.....Lodge No. 158

Bro. JOSEPH W. MURRAY.....Lodge No. 368

Bro. THEODORE E. WIEDERSHEIM.Lodge No. 51

Bro. EDWARD L. PERKINS.....Lodge No. 444

Trustees of the Girard Bequest:

Bro. JOHN L. THOMSON.....Lodge No. 51

Bro. EDWARD PERRY.....Lodge No. 158

Bro. EDWARD B. SPENCER.....Lodge No. 368

Bro. HENRY F. MITCHELL.....Lodge No. 134

Bro. ROBERT W. MONTGOMERY...Lodge No. 441

Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of Grand Lodge:

Bro. GEORGE S. GRAHAM.....	Lodge No. 52
Bro. S. KINGSTON McCAY.....	Lodge No. 72
Bro. GEORGE T. OLIVER.....	Lodge No. 219
Bro. GEORGE W. SPIESE.....	Lodge No. 450
Bro. H. OSCAR KLINE.....	Lodge No. 320

Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund:

(Appointed for life by Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, deceased, in accordance with his deed of gift.)

Bro. PETER BOYD.....	Lodge No. 368
Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.....	Lodge No. 21
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"	LEWIS W. COLFELT	"	610
"	ROBERT B. ROSS	"	624
"	EDGAR C. VANDYKE	"	631
"	ROLANDO SILVER	"	636
"	ROBERT SMITH	"	645
"	EDWIN F. CAIN	"	646
"	DAVID M. BOFFENMYER	"	654
"	GEORGE H. LOKES	"	659
"	CHARLES T. J. PRESTON	"	661

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary appointed Brother JOHN A. PERRY Deputy Grand Secretary, which was on motion unanimously approved by the Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 12 o'clock, 30 minutes, P.M.

William A. Sinn
Grand Secretary



Eng^d by W.T. Barker, N.Y.

William B. Hackenberg

R. W. Grand Treasurer

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APPENDIX.

LIST OF LODGES ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY ACCORDING TO PLACES OF MEETING.

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Albion	No. 24.....	Western Star	304
Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N. S.)	" 32.....	Allegheny	223
" "	" 32.....	Jefferson	288
" "	" 32.....	McKinley	318
" "	" 32.....	Davage	374
" "	" 32.....	Stuckrath	430
" "	" 32.....	Ionic	525
Allentown	" 10	Barger	333
"	" 10.....	Greenleaf	561
Altoona	" 20.....	Mountain	281
"	" 20.....	Logan	490
"	" 20.....	Hiram	616
Apollo	" 39.....	Apollo	437
Ardmore	" 6.....	Cassia	273
Ashland	" 11.....	Ashland	294
Ashley	" 12.....	Coalville	474
Athens	" 16.....	Rural Amity	70
Austin	" 44.....	Arcana	580
Bangor	" 9.....	Bangor	565
Bath	" 9.....	Manoquesy	413
Beallsville	" 29.....	Beallsville	237
Beaver	" 37.....	St. James	457
Beaver Falls	" 37.....	Beaver Valley	478
" "	" 37.....	Parian	662
Bedford	" 34.....	Bedford	320
Bellefonte	" 21.....	Bellefonte	268
Belle Vernon	" 43.....	Belle Vernon	643
Bellevue	" 32.....	Bellevue	530
"	" 32.....	Avalon	657
Berwick	" 45.....	Knapp	462
Bethlehem	" 9.....	Bethlehem	283
Birdsboro	" 7.....	Union	479
Blairsville	" 39.....	Acacia	355
Bloomsburg	" 35.....	Washington	265

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Blossburg	No. 17.....	Bloss	350
Braddock	" 38.....	Braddock's Field	510
Bradford	" 22.....	Union	334
Bristol	" 8.....	Bristol	25
Brookville	" 27.....	Hobah	276
Brownsville	" 31.....	Brownsville	60
Burgettstown	" 29.....	Richard Vaux	454
Butler	" 27.....	Butler	272
Cambridge Springs	" 25.....	Covenant	473
Canonsburg	" 29.....	Chartiers	297
Canton	" 16.....	Canton	415
Carbondale	" 13.....	Carbondale	249
Carlisle	" 3.....	Cumberland Star	197
"	" 3.....	St. John's	260
Carnegie	" 47.....	Centennial	544
"	" 47.....	La Fayette	652
Catasauqua	" 10.....	Porter	284
Catawissa	" 35.....	Catawissa	349
Center Hall	" 21.....	Old Fort	537
Chambersburg	" 3.....	George Washington	143
Charleroi	" 43.....	Charleroi	615
Chester	" 36.....	Chester	236
"	" 36.....	Lucius H. Scott	352
Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	F.....	Hiram	81
Chicora	No. 27.....	Argyle	540
Christiana	" 1.....	Christiana	417
Clarion	" 27.....	Clarion	277
Clark's Summit	" 13.....	Waverly	301
Claysville	" 29.....	Claysville	447
Clearfield	" 21.....	Clearfield	314
Coal Center	" 43.....	Monongahela Valley ...	461
Coalport	" 21.....	Coalport	574
Coatesville	" 5.....	Goddard	383
"	" 5.....	Coatesville	564
Cochranville	" 5.....	Skerrett	343
Columbia	" 1.....	Columbia	286
Columbus	" 23.....	Columbus	264
Concordville	" 36.....	Concord	625
Conneautville	" 25.....	Western Crawford	258
Connellsville	" 31.....	King Solomon's	346
Conshohocken	" 6.....	Fritz	420
Coopersburg	" 10.....	Saucon	469
Corry	" 24.....	Corry	365
Coudersport	" 44.....	Eulalia.	342

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Crafton	No. 47.....	Crafton	653
Cressona	" 11.....	Cressona	426
Curwensville	" 21.....	Noble	480
Dallas	" 12.....	George M. Dallas	531
Danville	" 35.....	Danville	224
"	" 35.....	Mahoning	516
Dawson	" 31.....	James Cochran	614
Derry Station	" 30.....	La Monte	568
Donora	" 43.....	Donora	626
Downingtown	" 5.....	Williamson	309
Doylestown	" 8.....	Doylestown	245
Driftwood	" 33.....	Driftwood	532
Dubois	" 21.....	Garfield	559
Duke Center	" 22.....	Northern Star	555
Dunmore	" 13.....	King Solomon	584
East Brady	" 27.....	East Brady	640
East Greenville	" 40.....	Perkiomen	595
Easton	" 9.....	Easton	152
"	" 9.....	Dallas	396
East Smithfield	" 16.....	Smithfield	428
East Stroudsburg	" 9.....	J. Simpson Africa	628
Ebensburg	" 41.....	Summit	312
Edenburg, Knox P. O.....	" 27.....	Edenburg	550
Edinboro	" 24.....	Oasis	416
Eldred	" 22.....	Eldred	560
Elizabeth	" 43.....	Stephen Bayard	526
Ellwood City	" 26.....	Ellwood	599
Elysburg	" 46.....	Elysburg	414
Emlenton	" 27.....	Allegheny Valley	552
Emporium	" 33.....	Emporium	382
Enon Valley	" 37.....	Meridian	411
Ephrata	" 1.....	Ephrata	665
Erie	" 24.....	Tyrian	362
"	" 24.....	Perry	392
"	" 24.....	Keystone	455
Everett	" 34.....	Everett	524
Factoryville	" 15.....	Factoryville	341
Falls of Schuylkill, Phila- delphia	F.....	Palestine	470
Fayette City	No. 31.....	Gummert	252
Fawn Grove	" 42.....	Friendship	663
Forest City	" 15.....	Forest City	439

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Fort Washington	No. 8.....	Fort Washington	308
Frankford, Philadelphia ...	F.....	Frankford	292
“ “	F.....	Jerusalem	506
Franklin	No. 23.....	Myrtle	316
Freeland	“ 45.....	Arbutus	611
Freeport	“ 27.....	Armstrong	239
Galeton	“ 44.....	Galeton	602
Germantown, Philadelphia ..	F.....	Mitchell	296
“ “ ..	F.....	Henry W. Williams	624
Gettysburg	No. 4.....	Good Samaritan	336
Girard	“ 24.....	Lake Erie	347
Great Bend	“ 15.....	Great Bend	338
Greencastle	“ 3.....	Mount Pisgah	443
Greensburg	“ 30.....	Philanthropy	225
“	“ 30.....	Westmoreland	518
Green Tree Station	“ 5.....	Thomson	340
Greenville	“ 26.....	Eureka	290
Grove City	“ 26.....	Grove City	603
Hamburg	“ 7.....	Vaux	406
Hamlington	“ 14.....	Salem	330
Hanover	“ 4.....	Patmos	348
Harrisburg	“ 2.....	Perseverance	21
“	“ 2.....	Robert Burns	464
“	“ 2.....	Harrisburg	629
Harrison Valley	“ 44.....	Adelpha	592
Hatboro	“ 8.....	W. K. Bray	410
Hawley	“ 14.....	Hawley	305
Hazleton	“ 45.....	Hazle	327
Hellertown	“ 9.....	Hellertown	563
Hollidaysburg	“ 20.....	Portage	220
“	“ 20.....	Juniata	282
Homestead	“ 38.....	Homestead	582
Honesdale	“ 14.....	Honesdale	218
Honeybrook	“ 5.....	Howell	405
Hop Bottom	“ 15.....	Harford	445
Hummelstown	“ 2.....	Brownstone	666
Huntingdon	“ 34.....	Mount Moriah	300
Hyndman	“ 34.....	Hyndman	589
Indiana	“ 39.....	Indiana	313
Irwin	“ 30.....	Shidle	601
Jackson	“ 15.....	Freedom	328
Jamestown	“ 26.....	Adelphic	424

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Jenkintown	No. 8.....	Friendship	400
Jermyn	" 13.....	Aurora	523
Jersey Shore	" 18.....	La Belle Vallée.....	232
Johnstown	" 41.....	Cambria	278
"	" 41.....	Johnstown	538
Kane	" 33.....	Kane	566
Kennett Square	" 36.....	Kennett	475
Kensington, Philadelphia ...	F.....	Kensington	211
" " ...	F.....	Richmond	230
" " ...	F.....	Gothic	519
Kingston	No. 12.....	Kingston	395
Kittanning	" 27.....	Kittanning	244
Knoxville	" 27.....	Cowanesque	351
Kutztown	" 7.....	Huguenot	377
Laceyville	" 16.....	Franklin	263
Lancaster	" 1.....	.....	43
"	" 1.....	Lamberton	476
Lansdale	" 6.....	Shiloh	558
Latrobe	" 30.....	Loyalhanna	275
Lebanon	" 7.....	Mount Lebanon	226
Leechburg	" 27.....	Leechburg	577
Leighton	" 45.....	Leighton	621
Le Raysville	" 16.....	Le Ray	471
Lewisburg	" 18.....	Charity	144
Lewistown	" 19.....	Lewistown	203
Ligonier	" 30.....	Ligonier	331
Linesville	" 25.....	Pine	498
Lock Haven	" 33.....	La Fayette	199
Lykens	" 2.....	Ashlar	570
McDonald	" 29.....	Garfield	604
McKeesport	" 38.....	Alliquippa	375
"	" 38.....	Youghiogheny	583
"	" 38.....	McKeesport	641
McVeytown	" 19.....	McVeytown	376
Mahanoy City	" 11.....	Mahanoy City	357
Manayunk, Philadelphia....	F.....	Roxborough	135
Manheim	No. 1.....	Manheim	587
Mansfield	" 17.....	Friendship	247
Marienville	" 23.....	Acacia	633
Marietta	" 1.....	Ashara	398
Marysville	" 19.....	Perry	458
Masontown	" 31.....	Valley	459

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Mauch Chunk	No. 45.....	Carbon	242
Meadville	" 25.....	Crawford	234
"	" 25 .....	.....	408
Mechanicsburg	" 3.....	Eureka	302
Media	" 36.....	George W. Bartram ...	298
Mercer	" 26.....	Hebron	575
Meyersdale	" 41.....	Meyersdale	554
Middleburg	" 46.....	Middleburg	619
Middletown	" 2.....	Prince Edwin	486
Mifflinburg	" 18.....	Mifflinburg	370
Mifflintown	" 19.....	Union	324
Milford	" 14.....	Milford	344
Millersburg	" 2.....	Susquehanna	364
Millersville	" 1.....	Charles M. Howell	496
Millvale Borough	" 32.....	Corinthian	573
Milton	" 46.....	Milton	256
Minersville	" 11.....	Minersville	222
Monessen	" 43.....	Monessen	638
Monongahela	" 43.....	Henry M. Phillips	337
Monroeton	" 16.....	Evergreen	163
Montoursville	" 18.....	Eureka	335
Montrose	" 15.....	Warren	240
Moores	" 36.....	Prospect	578
Moosic	" 13.....	Moosic	664
Moscow	" 13.....	Moscow	504
Mount Carmel	" 46.....	Mount Carmel	378
Mount Jewett	" 22.....	Mount Jewett	627
Mount Joy	" 1.....	Casiphia	551
Muncy	" 18.....	Muncy	299
Nanticoke	" 12.....	Nanticoke	541
Nazareth	" 9.....	Whitfield	622
New Bethlehem	" 27.....	New Bethlehem	522
New Bloomfield	" 19.....	Adams	319
New Brighton	" 37.....	Union	259
New Castle	" 26.....	Mahoning	243
" "	" 26.....	Lodge of the Craft	433
" "	" 26.....	New Castle	642
New Kensington	" 30.....	Tyrian	644
New Milford	" 15.....	New Milford	507
New Oxford	" 4.....	Hebron	465
Newport	" 19.....	Newport	381
Newtown	" 8.....	Newtown	427
Newville	" 3.....	Big Spring	361
Nicholson	" 15.....	Nicholson	438

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Norristown	No. 6.....	Charity	190
“	“ 6.....	Norristown	620
North East	“ 24.....	North East	399
Northampton	“ 9.....	Chapman	637
Northumberland	“ 46.....	Eureka	404
Oil City	“ 23.....	Petrolia	363
Olyphant	“ 13.....	Kingsbury	466
Orangeville	“ 35.....	Oriental	460
Orbisonia	“ 34.....	Cromwell	572
Orrstown	“ 3.....	Orrstown	262
Orwigsburg	“ 11.....	Schuylkill	138
Osceola	“ 17.....	Osceola	421
Osceola Mills	“ 21.....	Osceola	515
Oxford	“ 36.....	Oxford	353
Parker's Landing	“ 27.....	Parker City	521
Parkesburg	“ 5.....	Keystone	569
Patton	“ 41.....	Patton	658
Peckville	“ 13.....	Oriental Star	588
Pen Argyl	“ 9.....	Pen Argyl	594
Philadelphia	B.....	.....	2
“	B.....	.....	3
“	E.....	.....	9
“	D.....	Montgomery	19
“	E.....	.....	51
“	D.....	Harmony	52
“	A.....	Washington	59
“	C.....	Concordia	67
“	B.....	La Fayette	71
“	A.....	Philadelphia	72
“	F.....	Hiram	81
“	C.....	Columbia	91
“	B.....	Solomon's	114
“	E.....	St. John's	115
“	A.....	Union	121
“	B.....	Hermann	125
“	C.....	Rising Star	126
“	D.....	Phoenix	130
“	E.....	Industry	131
“	A.....	Franklin	134
“	F.....	Roxborough	135
“	B.....	Mount Moriah	155
“	D.....	Meridian Sun	158
“	C.....	Eastern Star	186

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Philadelphia	D.....	Integrity	187
"	F.....	Kensington	211
"	F.....	Richmond	230
"	A.....	Shekinah	246
"	E.....	Keystone	271
"	B.....	Hamilton	274
"	E.....	Orient	289
"	F.....	Frankford	292
"	D.....	Melita	295
"	F.....	Mitchell	296
"	C.....	Humboldt	359
"	A.....	Corinthian	368
"	C.....	Williamson	369
"	D.....	Pennsylvania	380
"	E.....	Richard Vaux	384
"	C.....	Oriental	385
"	D.....	Apollo	386
"	C.....	Vaux	393
"	E.....	Perkins	402
"	C.....	William B. Schnider ...	419
"	D .....	.....	432
"	A.....	Mozart	436
"	E.....	Potter	441
"	B.....	Philo	444
"	A.....	Ivanhoe	449
"	B.....	Stephen Girard	450
"	A.....	Welcome	453
"	C.....	Covenant	456
"	F.....	Palestine	470
"	D.....	St. Paul's	481
"	E.....	Athelstan	482
"	E.....	Robert A. Lamberton ..	487
"	A.....	Excelsior	491
"	C.....	Crescent	493
"	A.....	William C. Hamilton ...	500
"	F.....	Jerusalem	506
"	F.....	Gothic	519
"	B.....	Philates	527
"	A.....	Mount Horeb	528
"	D.....	St. Alban	529
"	E.....	Fernwood	543
"	C.....	Equity	591
"	F.....	Tacony	600
"	B.....	E. Coppée Mitchell	605
"	C.....	Radiant Star	606

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Philadelphia	B.....	Olivet	607
"	A.....	Progress	609
"	F.....	University	610
"	F.....	Henry W. Williams	624
"	E.....	Colonial	631
"	B.....	Michael Arnold	636
"	E.....	Conrad B. Day	645
"	C.....	William L. Elkins	646
"	D.....	Charles M. Swain	654
"	A.....	Thomas R. Patton	659
"	D.....	Matthias H. Henderson.	661
Philipsburg	No. 21.....	Moshannon	391
Phœnixville	" 40.....	Phœnix	75
Pine Grove	" 11.....	Pine Grove	409
Pittsburgh	" 28 .....	.....	45
"	" 28.....	St. John's	219
"	" 28.....	Franklin	221
"	" 28.....	Solomon	231
"	" 28.....	Washington	253
"	" 47.....	Monongahela	269
"	" 28.....	Milnor	287
"	" 48.....	Hailman	321
"	" 28.....	McCandless	390
"	" 28.....	Pittsburgh	484
"	" 28.....	Dallas	508
"	" 47.....	Germania	509
"	" 47.....	Guyasuta	513
"	" 28.....	Oakland	535
"	" 48.....	Duquesne	546
"	" 28.....	Crescent	576
"	" 48.....	Joppa	608
"	" 48.....	Fort Pitt	634
"	" 48.....	Homewood	635
"	" 28.....	Geter C. Shidle	650
Pittsburgh, N.S. (Allegheny)	" 32.....	Allegheny	223
"	" 32.....	Jefferson	288
"	" 32.....	McKinley	318
"	" 32.....	Davage	374
"	" 32.....	Stuckrath	430
"	" 32.....	Ionic	525
Pittston	" 12.....	St. John's	233
"	" 12.....	Valley	499
Plymouth	" 12.....	Plymouth	332
Port Allegany	" 22.....	Liberty	505
Portland	" 9.....	Portland	311

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Pottstown	No. 40.....	Stichter	254
Pottsville	" 11.....	Pulaski	216
Punxsutawney	" 21.....	John W. Jenks	534
Quakertown	" 8.....	Quakertown	512
Quarryville	" 1.....	Washington	156
Reading	" 7 .....	.....	62
"	" 7.....	Chandler	227
"	" 7.....	Teutonia	367
"	" 7.....	St. John	435
"	" 7.....	Reading	549
"	" 7.....	Isaac Hiester	660
Red Lion	" 42.....	Red Lion	649
Renovo	" 33.....	Renovo	495
Reynoldsville	" 27.....	John M. Read	536
Ridgway	" 33.....	Elk	379
Riegelsville	" 8.....	Prosperity	567
Roaring Spring	" 20.....	Woodbury	539
Rochester	" 37.....	Rochester	229
Rome	" 16.....	Roman	418
Rouseville	" 23.....	Fraternal	483
Royersford	" 40.....	Royersford	585
St. Clair	" 11.....	Anthracite	285
St. Marys	" 33.....	George E. Wagner	639
St. Petersburg	" 27.....	Canby	520
Saltsburg	" 39.....	Williamson	431
Sandy Lake	" 26.....	Lake	434
Schuylkill Haven	" 11.....	Page	270
Scottdale	" 30.....	Marion	562
Scranton	" 13.....	Hiram	261
"	" 13.....	Union	291
"	" 13.....	Peter Williamson	323
"	" 13.....	Hyde Park	339
"	" 13.....	Schiller	345
"	" 13.....	Green Ridge	597
Selinsgrove	" 46.....	La Fayette	194
Sellersville	" 8.....	MacCalla	596
Sewickley	" 32.....	Doric	630
Shamokin	" 46.....	Shamokin	255
Sharon	" 26.....	Sharon	250
Sharpsburg	" 32.....	Zeredatha	448
Sharpsville	" 26.....	Sharpsville	517

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Shenandoah	No. 11.....	Shenandoah	511
Shickshinny	" 12.....	Sylvania	354
Shingle House	" 44.....	Sharon	598
Shippensburg	" 3.....	Cumberland Valley	315
Shrewsbury	" 4.....	Shrewsbury	423
Slatington	" 10.....	Slatington	440
Smethport	" 22.....	McKean	388
Smith's Ferry	" 37.....	Glasgow	485
Somerset	" 41.....	Somerset	358
South Bethlehem	" 9.....	H. Stanley Goodwin ...	648
Spartansburg	" 25.....	Spartan	372
Spring City	" 40.....	Spring City	553
Stroudsburg	" 9.....	Barger	325
Sugar Grove	" 23.....	Stillwater	547
Sunbury	" 46 .....	.....	22
"	" 46.....	Maclay	632
Susquehanna	" 15.....	Canawacta	360
Swissvale	" 38.....	Swissvale	656
Tacony, Philadelphia	F.....	Tacony	600
Tamaqua	No. 11.....	Tamaqua	238
Tarentum	" 32.....	Pollock	502
Taylor	" 13.....	Acacia	579
Thompstontown	" 19.....	Lamberton	371
Tidioute	" 23.....	Temple	412
Tioga	" 17.....	Tioga	373
Tionesta	" 23.....	Olive	557
Titusville	" 25.....	Oil Creek	303
"	" 25.....	Shepherd	463
Towanda	" 16.....	Union	108
Trappe	" 6.....	Warren	310
Tremont	" 11.....	Swatara	267
Trexlertown	" 10.....	Lehigh	326
Troy	" 16.....	Trojan	306
Tunkhannock	" 16.....	Temple	248
Turtle Creek	" 38.....	Valley	613
Tyrone	" 20.....	Tyrone	494
Ulysses	" 44.....	Lewisville	556
Union City	" 24.....	Eureka	366
Union Dale	" 15.....	Mount Hermon	472
Uniontown	" 31.....	Fayette	228
"	" 31.....	Laurel	651
Upper Uwchlan	" 40.....	Mount Pickering	446

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Vandergrift	No. 39.....	Kiskiminetas	617
Verona	" 38.....	Verona	548
Warren	" 23.....	North Star	241
Washington	" 29.....	Washington	164
"	" 29.....	Sunset	623
Waterford	" 24.....	Waterford	425
Watson town	" 46.....	Watson town	401
Wattsburg	" 24.....	Wattsburg	533
Waymart	" 14.....	Waymart	542
Wayne	" 6.....	Wayne	581
Waynesboro	" 4.....	Acacia	586
Waynesburg	" 29.....	Waynesburg	153
Wellsboro	" 17.....	Ossea	317
West Chester	" 5.....	West Chester	322
Westfield	" 17.....	Westfield	477
West Grove	" 36.....	New London	545
West Middlesex	" 26.....	Kedron	389
West Newton	" 30.....	Blyth	593
White Haven	" 45.....	Laurel	467
Wilcox	" 33.....	Wilcox	571
Wilkes-Barre	" 12.....	.....	61
"	" 12.....	Landmark	442
"	" 12.....	Fidelity	655
Wilkinsburg	" 38.....	Orient	590
"	" 38.....	Beta	647
Williamsport	" 18.....	.....	106
"	" 18.....	Ivy	397
Wilmerding	" 38.....	Tyrian	612
Womelsdorf	" 7.....	Williamson	307
Wrightsville	" 42.....	Riverside	503
Wyalusing	" 16.....	Wyalusing	618
Wyoming	" 12.....	Wyoming	468
York	" 42.....	York	266
"	" 42.....	Zeredatha	451
Zelienople	" 37.....	Harmony	429

LIST OF LODGES ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY ACCORDING TO
THEIR NAMES.

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Acacia	355.....	Blairsville	No. 39
Acacia	579.....	Taylor	" 13
Acacia	586.....	Waynesboro	" 4
Acacia	633.....	Marienville	" 23
Adams	319.....	New Bloomfield	" 19
Adelpha	592.....	Harrison Valley	" 44
Adelphic	424.....	Jamestown	" 26
Africa, J. Simpson	628.....	East Stroudsburg	" 9
Allegheny	223.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
Allegheny Valley	552.....	Emlenton	" 27
Alliquippa	375.....	McKeesport	" 38
Anthracite	285.....	St. Clair	" 11
Apollo	386.....	Philadelphia	D
Apollo	437.....	Apollo	No. 39
Arbutus	611.....	Freeland	" 45
Arcana	580.....	Austin	" 44
Argyle	540.....	Chicora	" 27
Armstrong	239.....	Freeport	" 27
Arnold, Michael	636.....	Philadelphia	B
Ashara	398.....	Marietta	No. 1
Ashland	294.....	Ashland	" 11
Ashlar	570.....	Lykens	" 2
Athelstan	482.....	Philadelphia	E
Aurora	523.....	Jermyn	No. 13
Avalon	657.....	Bellevue	" 32
Bangor	565.....	Bangor	" 9
Barger	325.....	Stroudsburg	" 9
Barger	333.....	Allentown	" 10
Bartram, George W.	298.....	Media	" 36
Bayard, Stephen	526.....	Elizabeth	" 43
Beallsville	237.....	Beallsville	" 29
Beaver Valley	478.....	Beaver Falls	" 37
Bedford	320.....	Bedford	" 34
Bellefonte	268.....	Bellefonte	" 21
Belle Vernon	643.....	Belle Vernon	" 43
Bellevue	530.....	Bellevue	" 32
Beta	647.....	Wilkinsburg	" 38
Bethlehem	283.....	Bethlehem	" 9
Big Spring	361.....	Newville	" 3
Bloss	350.....	Blossburg	" 17

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Blyth	593.....	West Newton	No. 30
Braddock's Field	510.....	Braddock	" 38
Bray, W. K.	410.....	Hatboro	" 8
Bristol	25.....	Bristol	" 8
Brownstone	666.....	Hummelstown	" 2
Brownsville	60.....	Brownsville	" 31
Burns, Robert	464.....	Harrisburg	" 2
Butler	272.....	Butler	" 27
Cambria	278.....	Johnstown	" 41
Canawacta	360.....	Susquehanna	" 15
Canby	520.....	St. Petersburg	" 27
Canton	415.....	Canton	" 16
Carbon	242.....	Mauch Chunk	" 45
Carbondale	249.....	Carbondale	" 13
Casiphia	551.....	Mount Joy	" 1
Cassia	273.....	Ardmore	" 6
Catawissa	349.....	Catawissa	" 35
Centennial	544.....	Carnegie	" 47
Chandler	227.....	Reading	" 7
Chapman	637.....	Northampton	" 9
Charity	144.....	Lewisburg	" 18
Charity	190.....	Norristown	" 6
Charleroi	615.....	Charleroi	" 43
Chartiers	297.....	Canonsburg	" 29
Chester	236.....	Chester	" 36
Christiana	417.....	Christiana	" 1
Clarion	277.....	Clarion	" 27
Claysville	447.....	Claysville	" 29
Clearfield	314.....	Clearfield	" 21
Coalport	574.....	Coalport	" 21
Coalville	474.....	Ashley	" 12
Coatesville	564.....	Coatesville	" 5
Cochran, James	614.....	Dawson	" 31
Colonial	631.....	Philadelphia	E
Columbia	91.....	Philadelphia	C
Columbia	286.....	Columbia	No. 1
Columbus	264.....	Columbus	" 23
Concord	625.....	Concordville	" 36
Concordia	67.....	Philadelphia	C
Corinthian	368.....	Philadelphia	A
Corinthian	573.....	Millvale Borough	No. 32
Corry	365.....	Corry	" 24
Covenant	456.....	Philadelphia	C
Covenant	473.....	Cambridge Springs	No. 25

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Cowanesque	351.....	Knoxville	No. 17
Crafton	653.....	Crafton	" 47
Crawford	234.....	Meadville	" 25
Crescent	493.....	Philadelphia	C
Crescent	576.....	Pittsburgh	No. 28
Cressona	426.....	Cressona	" 11
Cromwell	572.....	Orbisonia	" 34
Cumberland Star	197.....	Carlisle	" 3
Cumberland Valley	315.....	Shippensburg	" 3
Dallas	396.....	Easton	" 9
Dallas	508.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Dallas, George M.	531.....	Dallas	" 12
Danville	224.....	Danville	" 35
Davage	374.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
Day, Conrad B.	645.....	Philadelphia	E
Donora	626.....	Donora	No. 43
Doric	630.....	Sewickley	" 32
Doylestown	245.....	Doylestown	" 8
Driftwood	532.....	Driftwood	" 33
Duquesne	546.....	Pittsburgh	" 48
East Brady	640.....	East Brady	" 27
Eastern Star	186.....	Philadelphia	C
Easton	152.....	Easton	No. 9
Edenburg	550.....	Edenburg	" 27
Eldred	560.....	Eldred	" 22
Elk	379.....	Ridgway	" 33
Elkins, William L.	646.....	Philadelphia	C
Ellwood	599.....	Ellwood City	No. 26
Elysburg	414.....	Elysburg	" 46
Emporium	382.....	Emporium	" 33
Ephrata	665.....	Ephrata	" 1
Equity	591.....	Philadelphia	C
Eulalia	342.....	Coudersport	No. 44
Eureka	290.....	Greenville	" 26
Eureka	302.....	Mechanicsburg	" 3
Eureka	335.....	Montoursville	" 18
Eureka	366.....	Union City	" 24
Eureka	404.....	Northumberland	" 46
Everett	524.....	Everett	" 34
Evergreen	163.....	Monroeton	" 16
Excelsior	491.....	Philadelphia	A
Factoryville	341.....	Factoryville	No. 15
Fayette	228.....	Uniontown	" 31

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Fernwood	543.....	Philadelphia	E
Fidelity	655.....	Wilkes-Barre	No. 12
Forest City	439.....	Forest City	" 15
Fort Pitt	634.....	Pittsburgh	" 48
Fort Washington	308.....	Fort Washington	" 8
Frankford	292.....	Philadelphia	F
Franklin	134.....	Philadelphia	A
Franklin	221.....	Pittsburgh	No. 28
Franklin	263.....	Laceyville	" 16
Fraternal	483.....	Rouseville	" 23
Freedom	328.....	Jackson	" 15
Friendship	247.....	Mansfield	" 17
Friendship	400.....	Jenkintown	" 8
Friendship	663.....	Fawn Grove	" 42
Fritz	420.....	Conshohocken	" 6
Galeton	602.....	Galeton	" 44
Garfield	559.....	DuBois	" 21
Garfield	604.....	McDonald	" 29
Germania	509.....	Pittsburgh	" 47
Girard, Stephen	450.....	Philadelphia	B
Glasgow	485.....	Smith's Ferry	No. 37
Goddard	383.....	Coatesville	" 5
Good Samaritan	336.....	Gettysburg	" 4
Goodwin, H. Stanley ..	648.....	South Bethlehem	" 9
Gothic	519.....	Philadelphia	F
Great Bend	338.....	Great Bend	No. 15
Greenleaf	561.....	Allentown	" 10
Green Ridge	597.....	Scranton	" 13
Grove City	603.....	Grove City	" 26
Gummert	252.....	Fayette City	" 31
Guyasuta	513.....	Pittsburgh	" 47
Hailman	321.....	Pittsburgh	" 48
Hamilton	274.....	Philadelphia	B
Hamilton, William C... 500.....	500.....	Philadelphia	A
Harford	445.....	Hop Bottom	No. 15
Harmony	52.....	Philadelphia	D
Harmony	429.....	Zelienople	No. 37
Harrisburg	629.....	Harrisburg	" 2
Hawley	305.....	Hawley	" 14
Hazle	327.....	Hazleton	" 45
Hebron	465.....	New Oxford	" 4
Hebron	575.....	Mercer	" 26
Hellertown	563.....	Hellertown	" 9

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Henderson, Matthias H..	661.....	Philadelphia	D
Hermann	125.....	Philadelphia	B
Hiester, Isaac	660.....	Reading	No. 7
Hiram	81.....	Philadelphia	F
Hiram	261.....	Scranton	No. 13
Hiram	616.....	Altoona	" 20
Hobah	276.....	Brookville	" 27
Homestead	582.....	Homestead	" 38
Homewood	635.....	Pittsburgh	" 48
Honesdale	218.....	Honesdale	" 14
Howell	405.....	Honeybrook	" 5
Howell, Charles M. ...	496.....	Millersville	" 1
Huguenot	377.....	Kutztown	" 7
Humboldt	359.....	Philadelphia	C
Hyde Park	339.....	Scranton	No. 13
Hyndman	589.....	Hyndman	" 34
Indiana	313.....	Indiana	" 39
Industry	131.....	Philadelphia	E
Integrity	187.....	Philadelphia	D
Ionic	525.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	No. 32
Ivanhoe	449.....	Philadelphia	A
Ivy	397.....	Williamsport	No. 18
Jefferson	288.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
Jenks, John W.	534.....	Punxsutawney	" 21
Jerusalem	506.....	Philadelphia	F
Johnstown	538.....	Johnstown	No. 41
Joppa	608.....	Pittsburgh.....	" 48
Juniata	282.....	Hollidaysburg	" 20
Kane	566.....	Kane	" 33
Kedron	389.....	West Middlesex	" 26
Kennett	475.....	Kennett Square	" 36
Kensington	211.....	Philadelphia	F
Keystone	271.....	Philadelphia	E
Keystone	455.....	Erie	No. 24
Keystone	569.....	Parkesburg	" 5
Kingsbury	466.....	Olyphant	" 13
King Solomon's	346.....	Connellsville	" 31
King Solomon	584.....	Dunmore	" 13
Kingston	395.....	Kingston	" 12
Kiskiminetas	617.....	Vandergrift	" 39
Kittanning	244.....	Kittanning	" 27
Knapp	462.....	Berwick	" 45

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
La Belle Vallée	232.....	Jersey Shore	No. 18
La Fayette	71.....	Philadelphia	B
La Fayette	194.....	Selinsgrove	No. 46
La Fayette	199.....	Lock Haven	" 33
La Fayette	652.....	Carnegie	" 47
Lake	434.....	Sandy Lake	" 26
Lake Erie	347.....	Girard	" 24
Lamberton	371.....	Thompstontown	" 19
Lamberton	476.....	Lancaster	" 1
Lamberton, Robert A. ..	487.....	Philadelphia	E
La Monte	568.....	Derry Station	No. 30
Landmark	442.....	Wilkes-Barre	" 12
Laurel	467.....	White Haven	" 45
Laurel	651.....	Uniontown	" 31
Leechburg	577.....	Leechburg	" 27
Lehigh	326.....	Trexlertown	" 10
Leighton	621.....	Leighton	" 45
Le Ray	471.....	Le Raysville	" 16
Lewistown	203.....	Lewistown	" 19
Lewisville	556.....	Ulysses	" 44
Liberty	505.....	Port Allegany	" 22
Ligonier	331.....	Ligonier	" 30
Lodge of the Craft.....	433.....	New Castle	" 26
Logan	490.....	Altoona	" 20
Loyalhanna	275.....	Latrobe	" 30
MacCalla	596.....	Sellersville	" 8
McCandless	390.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
McKean	388.....	Smethport	" 22
McKeesport	641.....	McKeesport	" 38
McKinley	318.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
McVeytown	376.....	McVeytown	" 19
Maclay	632.....	Sunbury	" 46
Mahanoy City	357.....	Mahanoy City	" 11
Mahoning	243.....	New Castle	" 26
Mahoning	516.....	Danville	" 35
Manheim	587.....	Manheim	" 1
Manoquesy	413.....	Bath	" 9
Marion	562.....	Scottdale	" 30
Melita	295.....	Philadelphia	D
Meridian	411.....	Enon Valley	No. 37
Meridian Sun	158.....	Philadelphia	D
Meyersdale	554.....	Meyersdale	No. 41
Middleburg	619.....	Middleburg	" 46
Mifflinburg	370.....	Mifflinburg	" 18

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Milford	344.....	Milford	No. 14
Milnor	287.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Milton	256.....	Milton	" 40
Minersville	222.....	Minersville	" 11
Mitchell	296.....	Philadelphia	F
Mitchell, E. Coppée	605.....	Philadelphia	B
Monessen	638.....	Monessen	No. 43
Monongahela	269.....	Pittsburgh	" 47
Monongahela Valley ...	461.....	Coal Center	" 43
Montgomery	19.....	Philadelphia	D
Moosic	664.....	Moosic	No. 13
Moscow	504.....	Moscow	" 13
Moshannon	391.....	Philipsburg	" 21
Mountain	281.....	Altoona	" 20
Mount Carmel	378.....	Mount Carmel	" 46
Mount Hermon	472.....	Uniondale	" 15
Mount Horeb	528.....	Philadelphia	A
Mount Jewett	627.....	Mount Jewett	No. 22
Mount Lebanon	226.....	Lebanon	" 7
Mount Moriah	155.....	Philadelphia	B
Mount Moriah	300.....	Huntingdon	No. 34
Mount Pickering	446.....	Upper Uwchlan	" 40
Mount Pisgah	443.....	Green Castle	" 3
Mozart	436.....	Philadelphia	A
Muncy	299.....	Muncy	No. 18
Myrtle	316.....	Franklin	" 23
Nanticoke	541.....	Nanticoke	" 12
New Bethlehem	522.....	New Bethlehem	" 27
New Castle	642.....	New Castle	" 26
New London	545.....	West Grove	" 36
New Milford	507.....	New Milford	" 15
Newport	381.....	Newport	" 19
Newtown	427.....	Newtown	" 8
Nicholson	438.....	Nicholson	" 15
Noble	480.....	Curwensville	" 21
Norristown	620.....	Norristown	" 6
North East	399.....	North East	" 24
North Star	241.....	Warren	" 23
Northern Star	555.....	Duke Center	" 22
Oakland	535.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Oasis	416.....	Edinboro	" 24
Oil Creek	303.....	Titusville	" 25
Old Fort	537.....	Center Hall	" 21

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Olive	557.....	Tionesta	No. 23
Olivet	607.....	Philadelphia	B
Orient	289.....	Philadelphia	E
Orient	590.....	Wilkinsburg	No. 38
Oriental	385.....	Philadelphia	C
Oriental	460.....	Orangeville	No. 35
Oriental Star	588.....	Peckville	" 13
Orrstown	262.....	Orrstown	" 3
Osceola	421.....	Osceola	" 17
Osceola	515.....	Osceola Mills	" 21
Ossea	317.....	Wellsboro	" 17
Oxford	353.....	Oxford	" 36
Page	270.....	Schuylkill Haven	" 11
Palestine	470.....	Philadelphia	F
Parian	662.....	Beaver Falls	No. 37
Parker City	521.....	Parker's Landing	" 27
Patmos	348.....	Hanover	" 4
Patton	658.....	Patton	" 41
Patton, Thomas R.	659.....	Philadelphia	A
Pen Argyl	594.....	Pen Argyl	No. 9
Pennsylvania	380.....	Philadelphia	D
Perkins	402.....	Philadelphia	E
Perkiomen	595.....	East Greenville	No. 40
Perry	392.....	Erie	" 24
Perry	458.....	Marysville	" 19
Perseverance	21.....	Harrisburg	" 2
Petrolia	363.....	Oil City	" 23
Philadelphia	72.....	Philadelphia	A
Philanthropy	225.....	Greensburg	No. 36
Philates	527.....	Philadelphia	B
Phillips, Henry M.	337.....	Monongahela	No. 43
Philo	444.....	Philadelphia	B
Phoenix	75.....	Phoenixville	No. 40
Phoenix	130.....	Philadelphia	D
Pine	498.....	Linesville	No. 25
Pine Grove	409.....	Pine Grove	" 11
Pittsburgh	484.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Plymouth	332.....	Plymouth	" 12
Pollock	502.....	Tarentum	" 32
Portage	220.....	Hollidaysburg	" 20
Porter	284.....	Catasauqua	" 10
Portland	311.....	Portland	" 9
Potter	441.....	Philadelphia	E
Prince Edwin	486.....	Middletown	No. 2

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Progress	609.....	Philadelphia	A
Prospect	578.....	Moore's	No. 36
Prosperity	567.....	Riegelsville	" 8
Pulaski	216.....	Pottsville	" 11
Quakertown	512.....	Quakertown	" 8
Radiant Star	606.....	Philadelphia	C
Read, John M.	536.....	Reynoldsville	No. 27
Reading	549.....	Reading	" 7
Red Lion	649.....	Red Lion	" 42
Renovo	495.....	Renovo	" 33
Richmond	230.....	Philadelphia	F
Rising Star	126.....	Philadelphia	C
Riverside	503.....	Wrightsville	No. 42
Rochester	229.....	Rochester	" 37
Roman	418.....	Rome	" 16
Roxborough	135.....	Philadelphia	F
Royersford	585.....	Royersford	No. 40
Rural Amity	70.....	Athens	" 16
St. Alban	529.....	Philadelphia	D
St. James	457.....	Beaver	No. 37
St. John's	115.....	Philadelphia	E
St. John's	219.....	Pittsburgh	No. 28
St. John's	233.....	Pittston	" 12
St. John's	260.....	Carlisle	" 3
St. John's	435.....	Reading	" 7
St. Paul's	481.....	Philadelphia	D
Salem	330.....	Hamilton	No. 14
Saucon	469.....	Coopersburg	" 10
Schiller	345.....	Scranton	" 13
Schnider, William B. ...	419.....	Philadelphia	C
Schuylkill	138.....	Orwigsburg	No. 11
Scott, Lucius H.	352.....	Chester	" 36
Shamokin	255.....	Shamokin	" 46
Sharon	250.....	Sharon	" 26
Sharon	598.....	Shingle House	" 44
Sharpsville	517.....	Sharpsville	" 26
Shekinah	246.....	Philadelphia	A
Shenandoah	511.....	Shenandoah	No. 11
Shepherd	463.....	Titusville	" 25
Shidle	601.....	Irwin	" 30
Shidle, Geter C.....	650.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Shiloh	558.....	Lansdale	" 6

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Shrewsbury	423.....	Shrewsbury	No. 4
Skerrett	343.....	Cochranville	" 5
Slatington	440.....	Slatington	" 10
Smithfield	428.....	East Smithfield	" 16
Solomon	231.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Solomon's	114.....	Philadelphia	B
Somerset	358.....	Somerset	No. 41
Spartan	372.....	Spartansburg	" 25
Spring City	553.....	Spring City	" 40
Stichter	254.....	Pottstown	" 40
Stillwater	547.....	Sugar Grove	" 23
Stuckrath	430.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
Summit	312.....	Ebensburg	" 41
Sunset	623.....	Washington	" 29
Susquehanna	364.....	Millersburg	" 2
Swatara	267.....	Tremont	" 11
Swain, Charles M.	654.....	Philadelphia	D
Swissvale	656.....	Swissvale	No. 38
Sylvania	354.....	Shickshinny	" 12
Tacony	600.....	Philadelphia	F
Tamaqua	238.....	Tamaqua	No. 11
Temple	248.....	Tunkhannock	" 16
Temple	412.....	Tidioute	" 23
Teutonia	367.....	Reading	" 7
Thomson	340.....	Green Tree Station	" 5
Tioga	373.....	Tioga	" 17
Trojan	306.....	Troy	" 16
Tyrian	362.....	Erie	" 24
Tyrian	612.....	Wilmerding	" 38
Tyrian	644.....	New Kensington	" 30
Tyrone	494.....	Tyrone	" 20
Union	108.....	Towanda	" 16
Union	121.....	Philadelphia	A
Union	259.....	New Brighton	No. 37
Union	291.....	Scranton	" 13
Union	324.....	Mifflintown	" 19
Union	334.....	Bradford	" 22
Union	479.....	Birdsboro	" 7
University	610.....	Philadelphia	F
Valley	459.....	Masontown	No. 31
Valley	499.....	Pittston	" 12
Valley	613.....	Turtle Creek	" 38
Vaux	393.....	Philadelphia	C

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Vaux	406.....	Hamburg	No. 7
Vaux, Richard	384.....	Philadelphia	E
Vaux, Richard	454.....	Burgettstown	No. 29
Verona	548.....	Verona	" 38
Wagner, George E.	639.....	St. Marys	" 33
Warren	240.....	Montrose	" 15
Warren	310.....	Trappe	" 6
Washington	59.....	Philadelphia	A
Washington	156.....	Quarryville	No. 1
Washington	164.....	Washington	" 29
Washington	253.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
Washington	265.....	Bloomsburg	" 35
Washington, George ...	143.....	Chambersburg	" 3
Waterford	425.....	Waterford	" 24
Watson town	401.....	Watson town	" 46
Wattsburg	533.....	Wattsburg	" 24
Waverly	301.....	Clark's Summit	" 13
Waymart	542.....	Waymart	" 14
Wayne	581.....	Wayne	" 6
Waynesburg	153.....	Waynesburg	" 29
Welcome	453.....	Philadelphia	A
West Chester	322.....	West Chester	No. 5
Western Crawford	258.....	Conneautville	" 25
Western Star	304.....	Albion	" 24
Westfield	477.....	Westfield	" 17
Westmoreland	518.....	Greensburg	" 30
Whitfield	622.....	Nazareth	" 9
Wilcox	571.....	Wilcox	" 33
Williams, Henry W. ...	624.....	Philadelphia	F
Williamson	307.....	Womelsdorf	No. 7
Williamson	309.....	Downingtown	" 5
Williamson	369.....	Philadelphia	C
Williamson	431.....	Saltsburg	No. 39
Williamson, Peter	323.....	Scranton	" 13
Woodbury	539.....	Roaring Spring	" 20
Wyalusing	618.....	Wyalusing	" 16
Wyoming	468.....	Wyoming	" 12
York	266.....	York	" 42
Youghiogheny	583.....	McKeesport	" 38
Zeredatha	448.....	Sharpsburg	" 32
Zeredatha	451.....	York	" 42

LODGES WITHOUT NAMES.

	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
.....	2.....	Philadelphia	B
.....	3.....	Philadelphia	B
.....	9.....	Philadelphia	E
.....	22.....	Sunbury	No. 46
.....	43.....	Lancaster	" 1
.....	45.....	Pittsburgh	" 28
.....	51.....	Philadelphia	E
.....	61.....	Wilkes-Barre	No. 12
.....	62.....	Reading	" 7
.....	106.....	Williamsport	" 18
.....	408.....	Meadville	" 25
.....	432.....	Philadelphia	D

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS OF LODGES FOR 1909.

Mon. F. M. = Monday on or before Full Moon.

F. M. Mon. = Monday on or after Full Moon.

Mon. a. F. M. = Monday after Full Moon.

Mon. b. F. M. = Monday before Full Moon.

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2	Philadelphia	B	3d Mon.....	207	3	12	2	1	3	216
3	"	B	3d Tues.....	284	2	17		1	11	291
9	"	E	1st Fri.	471	1	28	5		9	486
19	Montgomery	"	D	1st Thur.	267		6	3		7	263
21	Perseverance	Harrisburg	2	2d Mon.....	437	4	24	1	1	4	459
22	.....	Sunbury	46	*	173		10			3	180
25	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	8	Sat. F. M. ...	172		5			5	172
43	.....	Lancaster.....	1	2d Wed.	321	1	22	1		10	333
45	.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Wed.....	425	1	39	2	1	8	454
51	.....	Philadelphia	D	4th Thur.	151	2	4		2	5	150
52	Harmony	"	D	1st Mon.....	279	1	29		1	5	303
59	Washington.....	"	A	2d Tues.....	670	2	37	10	4	10	685
60	Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	31	1st Mon.....	135	1	13	2		2	145
61	.....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	1st Mon.....	391	1	22	3		5	406
62	.....	Reading	7	1st Mon.....	324	1	22		1	10	336
67	Concordia.....	Philadelphia	C	3d Thur.	363	5	32	4	4	6	386
70	Rural Amity.....	Athens	16	†	278	4	27	1	1	2	305
71	La Fayette.....	Philadelphia	B	4th Wed.	219	2	16		1	1	235
72	Philadelphia	"	A	3d Thur.	246	1	13	1		5	254
75	Phoenix.....	Phoenixville.....	40	Sat. F. M. ...	249	2	10		1	6	254
81	Hiram.....	Philadelphia	F	2d Wed.	179		12		1	2	188
91	Columbia	"	C	4th Mon.....	178	1	10			4	185
106	.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Mon	379	1	36	1	2	3	410
108	Union.....	Towanda.....	16	3d Wed.	215	1	10	2	3	3	218
114	Solomon's.....	Philadelphia	B	3d Fri.....	230	3	19	1	4	7	240
115	St. John's.....	"	E	2d Mon.....	414	3	28	2	2	12	429
121	Union	"	A	2d Thur.....	163		9	1		10	161
125	Hermann	"	B	2d Wed.	303	2	9	2	1	13	298
126	Rising Star.....	"	C	2d Mon.....	225		15	2	1	5	232
130	Phoenix.....	"	D	3d Wed.	291	2	16	1	31	9	268
131	Industry	"	E	2d Mon.....	207	1	14	1	2	5	214
134	Franklin.....	"	A	‡	164		4	3		3	162
135	Roxborough.....	"	F	2d Tues.....	327	1	24			6	346
138	Schuylkill.....	Orwigsburg	11	Last Mon....	79	1	3	1		2	80
143	George Washington	Chambersburg...	3	2d Fri.	201		19			1	219
144	Charity.....	Lewisburg	18	Tues. F. M....	115	1	3	2		1	116
152	Easton	Easton	9	1st Thur.	246	3	10			8	251
153	Waynesburg	Waynesburg	29	2d Mon.....	190		3	1	1	3	188

* No. 22 meets evening of Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Sunday ; then Monday.

† No. 70 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

‡ No. 134 meets last week day of every month.

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155	Mount Moriah.....	Philadelphia.....	B	4th Tues.....	505	2	25	3	3	12	514
156	Washington.....	Quarryville.....	1	Fri. F. M....	95	1	3			2	97
158	Meridian Sun.....	Philadelphia.....	D	1st Tues.....	657	2	46	3	3	16	683
163	Evergreen.....	Monroeton.....	16	Tues. F. M....	160	2	11			3	170
164	Washington.....	Washington.....	29	1st Mon.....	188	2	6	1	2	2	191
186	Eastern Star.....	Philadelphia.....	C	2d Wed.....	232	3	14	3	1	12	233
187	Integrity.....	".....	D	2d Thur.....	243		16	1	2	8	248
190	Charity.....	Norristown.....	6	1st Mon.....	441	4	14	2	2	6	449
194	La Fayette.....	Selinsgrove.....	46	Fri. F. M....	122		6			4	124
197	Cumberland Star...	Carlisle.....	3	2d Tues.....	159	1	17			2	175
199	La Fayette.....	Lock Haven.....	33	2d Thur.....	195		13	1	1	2	204
203	Lewistown.....	Lewistown.....	19	*.....	222		10		1		231
211	Kensington.....	Philadelphia.....	F	1st Fri.....	521	1	15	1	5	11	520
216	Pulaski.....	Pottsville.....	11	3d Mon.....	238	1	8			5	242
218	Honesdale.....	Honesdale.....	14	Thur. F. M....	150		13			5	158
219	St. John's.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	2d Thur.....	632	3	40	3	2	16	654
220	Portage.....	Hollidaysburg...	20	1st Tues.....	108		15				123
221	Franklin.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	3d Thur.....	532	3	13		1	3	544
222	Minersville.....	Minersville.....	11	2d Thur.....	81		8			3	86
223	Allegheny.....	Allegheny.....	32	2d Mon.....	421		12	6	1	8	418
224	Danville.....	Danville.....	35	3d Tues.....	138		10			3	145
225	Philanthropy.....	Greensburg.....	30	2d Mon.....	164		11			9	166
226	Mount Lebanon....	Lebanon.....	7	†.....	245		15			4	256
227	Chandler.....	Reading.....	7	1st Tues.....	435	3	36			11	463
228	Fayette.....	Uniontown.....	31	2d Mon.....	276	1	10		2	5	280
229	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	37	1st Fri.....	244	2	7	6		3	244
230	Richmond.....	Philadelphia.....	F	2d Wed.....	329		12		2	4	335
231	Solomon.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	1st Thur.....	181		8		1	4	184
232	La Belle Vallée....	Jersey Shore....	18	1st Fri.....	148	5	18	1			170
233	St. John's.....	Pittston.....	12	‡.....	199		13	7		6	199
234	Crawford.....	Meadville.....	25	1st Thur.....	147	1	10			5	153
236	Chester.....	Chester.....	36	1st Thur.....	413		14	3		2	422
237	Beallsville.....	Beallsville.....	29	Wed. F. M....	107	2	10	2	1		116
238	Tamaqua.....	Tamaqua.....	11	Fri. F. M....	216		11			4	223
239	Armstrong.....	Freeport.....	27	3d Mon.....	83	1	3		1	1	85
240	Warren.....	Montrose.....	15	Wed. F. M....	93	1	6			2	98
241	North Star.....	Warren.....	23	3d Thur.....	283	6	12	1	1	2	297
242	Carbon.....	Mauch Chunk...	45	2d Wed.....	141		5		1	2	143
243	Mahoning.....	New Castle.....	26	4th Tues.....	307	2	14	1	1	5	316
244	Kittanning.....	Kittanning.....	27	1st Tues.....	164	1	5	2		5	163
245	Doylestown.....	Doylestown.....	8	Fri. F. M....	220		13	1		6	226
246	Shekinah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	3d Mon.....	608	5	18	1	2	8	620
247	Friendship.....	Mansfield.....	17	Mon. F. M....	95	1	14	1	1	2	106
248	Temple.....	Tunkhannock...	16	‡.....	187		2		1	4	184
249	Carbondale.....	Carbondale.....	13	1st Wed.....	214		25	1		3	235
250	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	26	1st Fri.....	227		21		2	1	245
252	Gummert.....	Fayette City.....	31	Mon. F. M....	136	1	4	3	1	1	136
253	Washington.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Tues....	420	1	15		1	4	431
254	Stichter.....	Pottstown.....	40	2d Wed.....	254		32			7	279
255	Shamokin.....	Shamokin.....	46	1st Fri.....	243		12	1		3	251
256	Milton.....	Milton.....	46	1st Mon.....	169		16			2	183

* No. 203 meets second Tuesday and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 226 meets third Thursday and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

‡ No. 233 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

‡ No. 248 meets Monday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day.

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258	Western Crawford .	Conneautville . . .	25	1st Mon.	76	1	2		1	1	77
259	Union	New Brighton . .	37	1st Tues.	184		3	1	3	2	181
260	St. John's	Carlisle	3	3d Thur.	181	2	19		1	4	197
261	Hiram	Scranton	13	2d Thur.	155	1	13			3	166
262	Orrstown	Orrstown	3	Thur. F. M. . . .	59		1	2			58
263	Franklin	Laceyville	16	Tues. F. M. . . .	101		4	1		1	103
264	Columbus	Columbus	23	Thur. F. M. . . .	42	1	2	1		1	43
265	Washington	Bloomsburg	35	3d Mon.	217	1	11	3		5	221
266	York	York	42	*	230	1	11			4	238
267	Swatara	Tremont	11	2d Thur.	128	1	9		1	1	136
268	Bellefonte	Bellefonte	21	Tues. F. M. . . .	205	2	8		2	4	209
269	Monongahela	Pittsburgh	47	1st Fri.	482	1	27		1	5	504
270	Page	Schuylkill Haven	11	2d Fri.	127		1		1	1	126
271	Keystone	Philadelphia	E	1st Mon.	248	1	20		3	3	263
272	Butler	Butler	27	1st Thur.	244	2	28		2		272
273	Cassia	Ardmore	6	1st Thur.	345	3	23	2	2	8	359
274	Hamilton	Philadelphia	B	4th Tues.	320		20		1	4	335
275	Loyalhanna	Latrobe	30	1st Mon.	125		12	3	1	2	131
276	Hobah	Brookville	27	2d Mon.	160	1	6		2	2	163
277	Clarion	Clarion	27	1st Mon.	160		6		1	6	159
278	Cambria	Johnstown	41	2d Tues.	318	1	16	4	2	5	324
281	Mountain	Altoona	20	3d Tues.	266	1	17			4	280
282	Juniata	Hollidaysburg . . .	20	2d Mon.	133	2	8		1	3	139
283	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	9	1st Tues.	181	2	12	1	4	2	188
284	Porter	Catasauqua	10	1st Fri.	170		9	2		4	173
285	Anthracite	St. Clair	11	3d Wed.	108			1		3	104
286	Columbia	Columbia	42	1st Thur.	198		10		1	8	199
287	Milnor	Pittsburgh	28	3d Tues.	718	5	54	11		7	759
288	Jefferson	Allegheny	32	1st Wed.	140		7	1	2	6	138
289	Orient	Philadelphia	E	4th Fri.	295	2	14		2	11	298
290	Eureka	Greenville	26	1st Mon.	181	1	12		2	3	189
291	Union	Scranton	13	1st Fri.	458	1	14	3	2	7	461
292	Frankford	Philadelphia	F	2d Tues.	375	3	26	1	1	10	392
294	Ashland	Ashland	11	2d Thur.	163	1	7			5	166
295	Melita	Philadelphia	D	4th Wed.	533	4	33	7	1	8	554
296	Mitchell	"	F	2d Thur.	342	4	26	3	2	4	363
297	Chartiers	Canonsburg	29	2d Mon.	106	1	12	1			118
298	Geo. W. Bartram . .	Media	36	2d Mon.	179	1	20	2		3	195
299	Muncy	Muncy	18	1st Thur.	165		20	2		1	182
300	Mount Moriah	Huntingdon	34	2d Mon.	180		9		1	4	184
301	Waverly	Clark's Summit . .	13	Tues. F. M. . . .	116	1	14	2		2	127
302	Eureka	Mechanicsburg . .	3	1st Mon.	171		9		2	2	176
303	Oil Creek	Titusville	25	1st & 3d Tues. . .	141	3	13	2	2	1	152
304	Western Star	Albion	24	1st & 3d Tues. . .	93	1	6		1	1	98
305	Hawley	Hawley	14	Tues. F. M. . . .	68		4		1	3	68
306	Trojan	Troy	16	2d Tues.	120	1	9			5	125
307	Williamson	Womelsdorf	7	1st Thur.	142		14	8		3	145
308	Fort Washington . .	Fort Washington	8	3d Sat.	114	1	8	1	1	5	116
309	Williamson	Downingtown . . .	5	Fri. F. M. . . .	121		11	1	1	1	129
310	Warren	Trappe	6	Sat. F. M. . . .	113		6			1	118
311	Portland	Portland	9	Thur. F. M. . . .	69		8				77

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312	Summit.....	Ebensburg	41	2d Tues.....	197		16	3		1	209
313	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	39	2d Tues.....	144	2	5	2		1	148
314	Clearfield	Clearfield.....	21	1st Mon.....	163	1	9	1			172
315	Cumberland Valley	Shippensburg....	3	2d Fri.....	78		3	1	1	1	78
316	Myrtle.....	Franklin.....	23	1st & 3d Mon.	240	2	16		1	4	253
317	Ossea	Wellsboro.....	17	1st Tues.....	186	3	11	8	1	2	189
318	McKinley.....	Allegheny	32	1st Tues.....	395	5	32		1	4	427
319	Adams.....	New Bloomfield .	19	Wed. F. M....	68		1			1	68
320	Bedford.....	Bedford.....	34	2d Thur	128	2	10	4	1	2	133
321	Hailman.....	Pittsburgh	48	3d Tues.....	363	4	25		4	10	378
322	West Chester.....	West Chester....	5	1st Mon.....	221	1	10	1	1		230
323	Peter Williamson..	Scranton.....	13	1st Tues.....	473	8	27	6		9	493
324	Union.....	Mifflintown	19	2d Thur.	124	1	6	1		4	126
325	Barger.....	Stroudsburg.....	9	1st Tues.....	185		17		1	4	197
326	Lehigh	Trexlerstown.....	10	Tues. F. M....	89	1	8				98
327	Hazle.....	Hazleton.....	45	1st Mon.....	243	2	16		1	5	255
328	Freedom.....	Jackson.....	15	Wed. F. M....	54	1	8	2	1	2	58
330	Salem.....	Hamilton.....	14	Mon. F. M....	86		1				87
331	Ligonier.....	Ligonier.....	30	Fri. b. F. M..	105		7				112
332	Plymouth.....	Plymouth.....	12	*	114	1	7				122
333	Barger.....	Allentown	10	3d Fri.....	273	1	6			4	276
334	Union.....	Bradford.....	22	2d Thur.....	411	6	7	5	4	7	408
335	Eureka	Montoursville ...	18	Fri. b. F. M..	103		7		1	1	108
336	Good Samaritan ...	Gettysburg.....	4	2d Thur.....	127	1	7	5		3	127
337	Henry M. Phillips.	Monongahela....	43	2d Tues.....	209	1	6		1	2	213
338	Great Bend.....	Great Bend.....	15	2d Tues.....	79	1	2	3	2		77
339	Hyde Park.....	Scranton.....	13	1st Mon.....	374	2	23	1		7	391
340	Thomson.....	Green Tree.....	5	Wed. F. M....	195		6	1		4	196
341	Factoryville.....	Factoryville.....	13	Tues. F. M....	95	3	12	4		1	105
342	Eulalia	Coudersport.....	44	†	176	1	12	4	1	2	182
343	Skerrett.....	Cochranville....	5	Tues. F. M....	147	1	6			1	153
344	Milford.....	Milford.....	14	Wed. F. M....	76		2			3	75
345	Schiller.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Mon.....	349		18	1		5	361
346	King Solomon's ...	Connellsville ...	31	1st Tues.....	215	1	16	1		4	227
347	Lake Erie.....	Girard.....	24	1st Wed.....	109		7			2	114
348	Patmos	Hanover.....	4	2d Tues.....	137		10	1	1	1	144
349	Catawissa.....	Catawissa	35	Tues. b. F. M.	111	3	6		1	3	116
350	Bloss.....	Blossburg.....	17	Sat. F. M....	177		10		1	2	184
351	Cowanesque.....	Knoxville.....	17	Wed. F. M....	79		8		1		86
352	Lucius H. Scott....	Chester	36	1st Tues.....	290	2	19		1	8	302
353	Oxford.....	Oxford.....	36	Wed. F. M....	179		6	1		5	179
354	Sylvania	Shickshinny.....	12	Mon. F. M....	95		5	1	2		97
355	Acacia.....	Blairsville.....	39	2d Thur.....	134		14		2	1	145
357	Mahanoy City.....	Mahanoy City....	11	3d Thur.....	119	1	5			2	123
358	Somerset.....	Somerset.....	41	2d Tues.....	149		6			3	152
359	Humboldt.....	Philadelphia	C	4th Thur.....	148		9		2	6	149
360	Canawacta	Susquehanna	15	1st Fri.....	155	2	7	10	3	8	143
361	Big Spring.....	Newville	3	2d Thur.....	76	1	10	1			86
362	Tyrian.....	Erie	24	1st Fri.....	216	4	5	1	4	3	217
363	Petrolia	Oil City.....	23	1st Fri.....	383	5	32		1	6	413
364	Susquehanna	Millersburg	2	1st Fri.....	90		4			2	92

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† No. 342 meets second and fourth Wednesdays, except December, which shall be second Wednesday.

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365	Corry	Corry	24	1st Tues.	111		5		2	3	111
366	Eureka	Union City	24	1st Fri.	83	1		3		3	78
367	Teutonia	Reading	7	3d Thur.	112		5			2	115
368	Corinthian	Philadelphia	A	3d Tues.	203	4	10	5	1	4	207
369	Williamson	"	C	3d Thur.	173	1	4	1		2	175
370	Mifflinburg	Mifflinburg	18	Mon. F. M. ...	91		9				100
371	Lamberton	Thompstontown ..	19	Mon. F. M. ...	36		2			1	37
372	Spartan	Spartansburg	25	1st Mon.	46	2	7	3		1	51
373	Tioga	Tioga	17	3d Thur.	81	2	8	1			90
374	Davage	Allegheny	32	2d Thur.	359		1	7	1	4	348
375	Alliquippa	McKeesport	38	1st Tues.	338	24	1	1	1	2	358
376	McVeytown	McVeytown	19	1st Tues.	59		3			1	61
377	Huguenot	Kutztown	7	Sat. F. M. ...	141		9			2	148
378	Mount Carmel	Mt. Carmel	46	2d Thur.	120		9			1	128
379	Elk	Ridgway	33	2d & 4th Tues.	215	5	13	12	4		217
380	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	D	1st Tues.	184		15	4	2	3	190
381	Newport	Newport	19	1st Tues.	80	1	6	1			86
382	Emporium	Emporium	33	2d Tues.	123		12		1	1	133
383	Goddard	Coatesville	5	1st Tues.	183		8	6		5	180
384	Richard Vaux	Philadelphia	E	1st Mon.	273	2	45	5	1	7	307
385	Oriental	"	C	1st Thur.	575	1	41	9	2	5	601
386	Apollo	"	D	3d Wed.	363	2	19	2		11	371
388	McKean	Smethport	22	2d & 4th Wed.	105		9	1		4	109
389	Kedron	West Middlesex ..	26	1st Mon.	56		4				60
390	McCandless	Pittsburgh	28	2d Wed.	360		23	7	2	8	366
391	Moshannon	Philipsburg	21	2d Thur.	176	2	4	1		1	180
392	Perry	Erie	24	2d Tues.	239	4	24		3	5	259
393	Vaux	Philadelphia	C	4th Tues.	240	4	23	2		5	260
395	Kingston	Kingston	12	2d Wed.	189		15		2	3	199
396	Dallas	Easton	9	1st Tues.	299	1	10		2	3	305
397	Ivy	Williamsport	18	1st Tues.	336		32	5		6	357
398	Ashara	Marietta	1	Mon. F. M. ...	87	1	3	1	1	2	87
399	North East	North East	24	1st Wed.	134	3	5	2	1	3	136
400	Friendship	Jenkintown	8	2d Tues.	209	5	40			2	252
401	Watson town	Watson town	46	Wed. F. M. ...	110		5	1	1		113
402	Perkins	Philadelphia	E	1st Fri.	286	6	19		5	9	297
404	Eureka	Northumberland ..	46	3d Mon.	69		9				78
405	Howell	Honey Brook	5	Wed. F. M. ...	120	1	5		1	5	120
406	Vaux	Hamburg	7	2d Thur.	156	1	14	1	1	3	166
408	.....	Meadville	25	1st Mon.	106		6		1		111
409	Pine Grove	Pine Grove	11	1st Mon.	70		2		2		70
410	W. K. Bray	Hatboro	8	Wed. F. M. ...	114		7	1	1	3	116
411	Meridian	Enon Valley	37	Fri. F. M. ...	67		14	1	3		77
412	Temple	Tidioute	23	2d Tues.	63		6	1		2	66
413	Manoquesy	Bath	9	2d Thur.	73		8		3		78
414	Elysburg	Elysburg	46	Thur. F. M. ...	51		1				52
415	Canton	Canton	16	Tues. F. M. ...	132	1	4	3	1	1	132
416	Oasis	Edinboro	24	2d & 4th Tues.	44		5				49
417	Christiana	Christiana	1	Thur. F. M. ...	160		4		2		162
418	Roman	Rome	16	Sat. F. M. ...	48		9	1	1	1	54
419	Wm. B. Schnider ..	Philadelphia	C	2d Tues.	499	4	24	2	3	17	505

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420	Fritz	Conshohocken ...	6	3d Tues.	169		9			3	175
421	Osceola	Elkland	17	2d Fri.	63		8		2	1	68
423	Shrewsbury	Shrewsbury	4	Tues. F. M. ...	88	1	2	2		1	88
424	Adelphic	Jamestown	26	1st Tues.	67		5		1		71
425	Waterford	Waterford	24	Tues. F. M. ...	92	1	1	2	1		91
426	Cressona	Cressona	11	Thur. F. M. ...	76		2			2	76
427	Newtown	Newtown	8	Wed. F. M. ...	120		6	1		3	122
428	Smithfield	East Smithfield ..	16	*	41		2		2		41
429	Harmony	Zelienople	37	Thur. F. M. ...	87	1	2	2	2	1	85
430	Stuckrath	Allegheny	32	2d Thur.	484	2	26	3	4	5	500
431	Williamson	Saltsburg	39	1st Tues.	58		3			1	60
432	.....	Philadelphia	D	2d Thur.	343	1	15	2	3	9	345
433	Lodge of the Craft..	New Castle	26	3d Tues.	277	5	25	3	1	4	299
434	Lake	Sandy Lake	26	2d Thur.	145	5	10		1	4	155
435	St. John's	Reading	7	1st Fri.	252	1	12			8	257
436	Mozart	Philadelphia	A	2d Tues.	327	7	27	1	4	11	345
437	Apollo	Apollo	39	2d Tues.	90		1			2	89
438	Nicholson	Nicholson	15	Sat. F. M.	103		5		1	2	105
439	Forest City	Forest City	15	1st Mon.	88	1	3		1		91
440	Slatington	Slatington	10	Thur. F. M. ...	105		6	1		1	109
441	Potter	Philadelphia	E	3d Fri.	426	1	31	1	2	9	446
442	Landmark	Wilkes-Barre	12	2d Mon.	402	2	31	8	1	6	420
443	Mount Pisgah	Greencastle	3	Tues. F. M. ...	82		8			2	88
444	Philo	Philadelphia	B	3d Tues.	288		13	4	4	4	289
445	Harford	Hop Bottom	15	Thurs. F. M. ...	64		10		1	3	70
446	Mount Pickering ..	Upper Uwchlan ..	40	Mon. b. F. M. ...	140		10	1	1	1	147
447	Claysville	Claysville	29	Fri. F. M.	70		5				75
448	Zeredatha	Sharpsburg	32	2d Thur.	267		22	1	1	2	285
449	Ivanhoe	Philadelphia	A	2d Thur.	324		17	3		9	329
450	Stephen Girard	"	B	4th Wed.	256	3	22		1	4	276
451	Zeredatha	York	42	†	178	1	13		1		191
453	Welcome	Philadelphia	A	3d Thur.	252	1	9		2	5	255
454	Richard Vaux	Burgettstown	29	4th Fri.	109		10		1	3	115
455	Keystone	Erie	24	3d Tues.	260	5	12	1	3	2	271
456	Covenant	Philadelphia	C	2d Tues.	288	3	20	1	2	6	302
457	St. James	Beaver	37	Thur. F. M. ...	168	1	6	1	3	3	168
458	Perry	Marysville	19	1st Tues.	89		5			3	91
459	Valley	Masontown	31	Thur. F. M. ...	132		4			2	134
460	Oriental	Orangeville	35	F. M. Tues. ...	82	1	20				103
461	Monongahela Valley	Coal Center	43	3d Mon.	119		2		1	2	118
462	Knapp	Berwick	45	F. M. Fri.	192	1	5	3	1	3	191
463	Shepherd	Titusville	25	1st & 3d Mon. ...	106	2	15	5	1	2	115
464	Robert Burns	Harrisburg	2	3d Thur.	467	1	48		3	4	509
465	Hebron	New Oxford	4	3d Mon.	83		5	1	1	1	85
466	Kingsbury	Olyphant	13	1st Fri.	98		4			1	101
467	Laurel	White Haven	45	Mon. F. M. ...	74		2	1			75
468	Wyoming	Wyoming	12	Last Fri.	95		8	2		1	100
469	Saucon	Coopersburg	10	Tues. F. M. ...	56		4	2			58
470	Palestine	Philadelphia	F	2d Thur.	241	3	16	4		2	254
471	Le Ray	Le Raysville	16	Sat. F. M.	43		6		1		48
472	Mount Hermon	Uniondale	15	Fri. F. M.	54	2	1			1	56

* No. 428 meets Friday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 451 meets first Thursday after first Monday.

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473	Covenant	Cambridge Spr'gs	25	2d & 4th Fri..	130	3	14		1		146
474	Coalville.....	Ashley.....	12	2d Tues.....	139		11			2	148
475	Kennett.....	Kennett Square..	36	Thur. F. M...	140	1	8		1	2	146
476	Lamberton	Lancaster	1	1st Tues.....	290		13		1	5	297
477	Westfield	Westfield	17	Sat. F. M....	135	2	5	2	4		136
478	Beaver Valley	Beaver Falls.....	37	3d Tues.....	164		9		2		171
479	Union	Birdsboro	7	Thur. F. M...	114		8			1	121
480	Noble.....	Curwensville	21	Tues. F. M...	106	1	3			1	109
481	St. Paul's.....	Philadelphia	D	1st Thur.....	534	4	29	6	2	9	550
482	Athelstan.....	"	E	1st Tues.....	201	3	12	5		4	207
483	Fraternal	Rouseville.....	23	1st & 3d Wed.	97	1	4		1		101
484	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	28	2d Mon.....	550	3	34	10	3	9	565
485	Glasgow	Smith's Ferry ...	37	Tues. F. M...	77		4	1			80
486	Prince Edwin	Middletown.....	2	1st Mon.....	113	1	4				118
487	Rob't A. Lamberton	Philadelphia	E	1st Tues.....	252	1	18	2		4	265
490	Logan	Altoona.....	20	1st Tues.....	286	2	15	2	1	3	297
491	Excelsior.....	Philadelphia	A	3d Wed.....	283	3	23		3	5	301
493	Crescent	"	C	2d Mon.....	280	4	17	4	3	3	291
494	Tyrone	Tyrone	20	3d Mon.....	207	2	17			4	222
495	Renovo.....	Renovo	33	1st Tues.....	156	1	4			3	158
496	Charles M. Howell.	Millersville.....	1	Fri. F. M....	103		8	1	1		109
498	Pine.....	Linesville.....	25	1st Tues.....	57		4	1	3	3	54
499	Valley.....	Pittston.....	12	1st Thur.....	195		17	2	2	4	204
500	Wm. C. Hamilton.	Philadelphia	A	3d Wed.....	533	5	24	3	1	8	550
502	Pollock.....	Tarentum.....	32	1st Thur.....	205	1	17		1	1	221
503	Riverside.....	Wrightsville	42	3d Mon.....	67		8				75
504	Moscow.....	Moscow.....	13	Fri. F. M....	68		12			1	79
505	Liberty.....	Port Allegany...	22	1st Tues.....	82		3	1	3	2	79
506	Jerusalem.....	Philadelphia	F	2d Thur.....	314	4	30	4	2	9	333
507	New Milford.....	New Milford	15	3d Wed.....	37		3				40
508	Dallas	Pittsburgh	28	1st Fri.....	779	6	59	6	5	9	824
509	Germania	"	47	2d Fri.....	169		9			6	172
510	Braddock's Field...	Braddock	38	3d Tues.....	366		12	4	2	1	371
511	Shenandoah	Shenandoah	11	Wed. b. F. M.	97	2			2	3	94
512	Quakertown.....	Quakertown.	8	Thur. F. M...	108		4	1		4	107
513	Guyasuta.....	Pittsburgh	47	3d Tues.....	228	2	14	2	1	3	238
515	Osceola	Osceola Mills....	21	2d Mon.....	149		3			2	150
516	Mahoning	Danville	35	2d Tues.....	155		7			1	161
517	Sharpsville	Sharpsville.....	26	1st Thur.....	71		4	1		1	73
518	Westmoreland	Greensburg.....	30	3d Tues.....	176		3			2	177
519	Gothic	Philadelphia	F	3d Thur.....	273		11	1	1	2	280
520	Canby.....	St. Petersburg...	27	1st Thur.....	91	1	4			1	95
521	Parker City.....	Parker's Landing	27	1st Mon.....	90		5	2		3	90
522	New Bethlehem ...	New Bethlehem..	27	1st Wed.....	176		3			2	177
523	Aurora	Jermyn.....	13	3d Tues.....	76		3				79
524	Everett	Everett.....	34	Fri. F. M....	146		6			2	150
525	Ionic.....	Allegheny	32	1st Mon	426		27	3	1	3	446
526	Stephen Bayard....	Elizabeth	43	3d Mon.....	121		11		1	1	130
527	Philates.....	Philadelphia	B	2d Fri.....	204	3	7	4	2	5	203
528	Mount Horeb.....	"	A	2d Tues.....	250	4	18	3		6	263
529	St. Alban.....	"	D	1st Thur.....	264	1	22		2	5	280

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530	Bellevue.....	Bellevue.....	32	3d Mon.	371	2	31	5			399
531	George M. Dallas..	Dallas	12	Thur. F. M...	70		6		1	1	74
532	Driftwood.....	Driftwood.....	33	2d Fri.....	95		5	1	2		97
533	Wattsburg.....	Wattsburg	24	2d Fri.....	43	1	1		1	1	43
534	John W. Jenks....	Punxsutawney ..	21	1st Tues.....	160	2	13	1	2	3	169
535	Oakland	Pittsburgh	28	1st Mon.....	168	2	14	4	1	2	177
536	John M. Read.....	Reynoldsville....	27	2d Tues.	88					2	86
537	Old Fort	Center Hall	21	Mon. F. M...	75		2				77
538	Johnstown.....	Johnstown.....	41	1st Thur.....	234	2	18	5	1	1	247
539	Woodbury.....	Roaring Spring..	20	Thur. F. M...	101	1	7			1	108
540	Argyle.....	Chicora.....	27	Wed. F. M...	170	1	9		1	1	178
541	Nanticoke.....	Nanticoke.....	12	2d Thur.....	174	1	14			3	186
542	Waymart	Waymart.....	14	Tues. F. M...	46		1			2	45
543	Fernwood.....	Philadelphia	E	4th Thur.....	379	7	21	2	1	4	400
544	Centennial	Carnegie.....	47	1st Mon.....	301	2	16	1	3	4	311
545	New London.....	West Grove.....	36	Mon. F. M...	88	1	8	2		1	94
546	Duquesne	Pittsburgh	48	2d Thur.....	439	2	18		3	1	455
547	Stillwater.....	Sugar Grove.....	23	Fri. F. M...	54		2		3	2	51
548	Verona	Verona	38	1st Tues.....	102	1	5		1	1	106
549	Reading	Reading	7	4th Thur.....	286	2	27	1		4	310
550	Edenburg	Edenburg.....	27	1st Tues.....	46		1				47
551	Casiphia	Mount Joy.....	1	Fri. F. M...	68	1	7				76
552	Allegheny Valley..	Emlenton.....	27	2d Tues.....	104	2	5			5	106
553	Spring City	Spring City	40	Thur. F. M...	148		3			1	150
554	Meyersdale.....	Meyersdale.....	41	1st Mon.....	153	1	13		2	2	163
555	Northern Star	Duke Center	22	1st & 3d Tues.	81	2	1		1	4	79
556	Lewisville.....	Ulysses	44	1st & 3d Wed.	80		1	1			80
557	Olive.....	Tionesta	23	2d Mon.	81	1	6	3			85
558	Shiloh	Lansdale.....	6	2d Tues.....	138	1	4		1	2	140
559	Garfield.....	Du Bois.....	21	1st Thur.....	205		7	2	2	5	203
560	Eldred.....	Eldred.....	22	2d & 4th Tues.	65	1	1		1		66
561	Greenleaf	Allentown	10	3d Thur.....	304		11	2	1	4	308
562	Marion	Scottdale.....	30	1st Thur.....	162		4	4	1		161
563	Hellertown.....	Hellertown.....	9	3d Fri.....	72		6			1	77
564	Coatesville	Coatesville	5	2d Thur.....	168		6	1	1	1	171
565	Bangor	Bangor.....	9	2d Wed.....	113		2	1	1	1	112
566	Kane	Kane.....	33	1st Wed.....	142		11	8	4	2	139
567	Prosperity.....	Riegelsville	8	Fri. F. M...	70		3	1	1		71
568	La Monte.....	Derry Station....	30	1st Thur.....	87		2		1		88
569	Keystone.....	Parkesburg.....	5	F. M. Fri. ...	93		6			1	98
570	Ashlar.....	Lykens	2	Tues. F. M...	116		11				127
571	Wilcox	Wilcox	33	1st & 3d Tues.	76		8			1	83
572	Cromwell.....	Orbisonia	34	Last Tues. ...	79		3	2		1	79
573	Corinthian.....	Millvale Borough	32	4th Tues.....	150	1	7	3		2	153
574	Coalport.....	Coalport	21	4th Mon.....	109		5	2		3	109
575	Hebron.....	Mercer.....	26	2d Mon.	104	1	11		1	2	113
576	Crescent	Pittsburgh	28	2d Tues.	280	1	12	3	4	6	280
577	Leechburg	Leechburg	27	2d Thur.....	84		5		1		88
578	Prospect	Moores	36	1st Thur.....	138	1	21	3	2	4	151
579	Acacia.....	Taylor.....	13	1st Mon.....	201	1	6			4	204
580	Arcana	Austin.....	44	2d & 4th Wed.	82	1	6	3	1	1	84

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581	Wayne	Wayne	6	3d Tues.	109		3	1	1		110
582	Homestead.....	Homestead	38	3d Mon.	273	1	32		3	1	302
583	Youghiogheny.....	McKeesport.....	38	3d Tues.	333		14		3	4	340
584	King Solomon.....	Dunmore.....	13	1st Mon.....	128	1	8		1		136
585	Royersford	Royersford	40	2d Fri.....	110		5		2	2	111
586	Acacia.....	Waynesboro.....	4	3d Fri.....	118	1	6		2		123
587	Manheim	Manheim	1	Mon. F. M....	125	1	3			3	126
588	Oriental Star	Peckville	13	2d Tues.	109		4	1		2	110
589	Hyndman.....	Hyndman.....	34	3d Mon.	62		4	1			65
590	Orient.....	Wilkinsburg	38	1st Tues.....	414	6	30	7	4	2	437
591	Equity	Philadelphia	C	2d Wed.....	216		27		3	5	235
592	Adelpha.....	Harrison Valley..	44	2d & 4th Tues.	46					1	45
593	Blyth	West Newton ...	30	Mon. F. M....	121		8		1	6	122
594	Pen Argyl.....	Pen Argyl	9	1st Thur.....	77		5			1	81
595	Perkiomen.....	East Greenville..	40	F. M. Tues....	49		7				56
596	MacCalla	Sellersville	8	2d Mon.	85		5			2	88
597	Green Ridge.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Fri.....	217	1	6		1	1	222
598	Sharon.....	Shingle House...	44	2d & 4th Thur.	84		7	1	1		89
599	Ellwood	Ellwood City....	26	3d Wed.....	88	1	6		1		94
600	Tacony	Philadelphia	F	3d Tues.	191	5	16		4	1	207
601	Shidle	Irwin	30	1st Tues.....	102		15				117
602	Galeton.....	Galeton.....	44	1st & 3d Tues.	111		20		1	2	128
603	Grove City.....	Grove City.....	26	3d Tues.	120	3	10	1	1	1	130
604	Garfield.....	McDonald	29	2d Tues.	138	1	18		2	1	154
605	E. Coppée Mitchell	Philadelphia	B	3d Mon.	241	1	21		5	1	257
606	Radiant Star.....	"	C	4th Mon.....	121		16			2	135
607	Olivet	"	B	4th Tues.....	372	6	35		3	5	405
608	Joppa	Pittsburgh	48	1st Tues.....	199		17		3	2	211
609	Progress	Philadelphia	A	4th Wed.....	235	1	26		1	1	260
610	University.....	"	E	4th Fri.....	829	9	54	7	6	4	875
611	Arbutus	Freeland.....	45	3d Tues.....	100		9			2	107
612	Tyrian	Wilmerding.....	38	1st Thur.....	194	2	31			1	226
613	Valley.....	Turtle Creek.....	38	2d Tues.	143		17	6		1	153
614	James Cochran	Dawson.....	31	2d Tues.	69		3	1	1		70
615	Charleroi.....	Charleroi.....	43	2d Thur.....	183		9				192
616	Hiram	Altoona.....	20	3d Thur.....	122		8			1	129
617	Kiskiminetas.....	Vandergrift.....	39	1st Tues.....	108		9		1	2	114
618	Wyalusing.....	Wyalusing.....	16	Fri. F. M....	77		2		3	1	75
619	Middleburg	Middleburg	46	*	72		4			2	74
620	Norristown.....	Norristown.....	6	3d Mon.	213	1	16	1		1	228
621	Leighton	Leighton	45	1st Thur.....	102	1	9			1	111
622	Whitfield.....	Nazareth.....	9	2d Mon.	78		6	1	1		82
623	Sunset	Washington.....	29	3d Mon.	98	1	7			1	105
624	Henry W. Williams	Philadelphia	F	2d Tues.	107	3	12	2	1	1	118
625	Concord.....	Concordville....	36	Wed. F. M....	93	1	7		1		100
626	Donora	Donora.....	43	3d Tues.	99		4			1	102
627	Mount Jewett.....	Mount Jewett ...	22	4th Mon.....	66		6	1		1	70
628	J. Simpson Africa .	East Stroudsburg.	9	4th Thur.....	80		10			1	89
629	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	2	1st Thur.	188		12		1		199
630	Doric.....	Sewickley.....	32	2d Thur.....	116	1	6	1	3	1	118
631	Colonial	Philadelphia	E	1st Fri.....	59	1	4				64

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632	Maclay	Sunbury	46	Fri. a. F. M. . .	127	1	19				147
633	Acacia	Marienville	23	1st Wed.	34		7				41
634	Fort Pitt	Pittsburgh	48	1st Mon.	200		19	3	2	2	212
635	Homewood	"	48	3d Mon.	168		23				191
636	Michael Arnold. . . .	Philadelphia	B	3d Mon.	107	1	18	3	1	3	119
637	Chapman	Northampton	9	2d Wed.	81		13		1		93
638	Monessen	Monessen	43	1st Tues.	94	4	11	1			108
639	George E. Wagner. . .	Saint Marys.	33	1st Mon.	82		4			1	85
640	East Brady	East Brady	27	1st Thur.	80		6				86
641	McKeesport	McKeesport.	38	2d Fri.	164	2	22		2	1	185
642	New Castle	New Castle	26	1st Mon.	118	2	26		1		145
643	Belle Vernon	Belle Vernon	43	1st Mon.	61		6		1		66
644	Tyrian	New Kensington. . .	30	2d Tues.	52		9		1		60
645	Conrad B. Day	Philadelphia	E	2d Fri.	78		7	2			83
646	William L. Elkins. . .	"	C	1st Thur.	188	2	11	1	1	2	197
647	Beta	Wilkesburg	38	3d Mon.	184	1	28				213
648	H. Stanley Goodwin . .	South Bethlehem . .	9	3d Wed.	104	2	11	1			116
649	Red Lion.	Red Lion	42	Thur. F. M. . .	66		9				75
650	Geter C. Shidle. . . .	Pittsburgh	28	4th Thur.	100	1	16				117
651	Laurel	Uniontown	31	1st Mon.	35	2	9				46
652	La Fayette	Carnegie	47	1st Tues.	115		9				124
653	Crafton	Crafton	47	2d Fri.	176		15			1	190
654	Charles M. Swain . . .	Philadelphia	D	1st Fri.	103	3	15		1	1	119
655	Fidelity	Wilkes-Barre	12	1st Tues.	151		25				176
656	Swissvale	Swissvale	38	2d Mon.	56	1	12				69
657	Avalon	Bellevue	32	1st Tues.	110		22		1	1	130
658	Patton	Patton	41	3d Tues.	31	3	25				59
659	Thomas R. Patton. . .	Philadelphia	A	3d Wed.	58	2	13				73
660	Isaac Hiester	Reading	7	3d Mon.	113	4	84			1	200
661	Mat. H. Henderson . .	Philadelphia	D	3d Fri.		46	13				59
662	Parian	Beaver Falls	37	1st Fri.		33	32				65

SUMMARY.

Number of Lodges December 27, 1908.....	475		
Lodges constituted during the year 1909	2		
Number of Lodges December 27, 1909.....	477		
Membership of Lodges December 27, 1908.....			88080
Admitted during the year 1909	604		
Initiated during the year 1909	5845		
		6449	
Suspended and expelled during the year 1909....	566		
Resigned during the year 1909	477		
Deceased during the year 1909	1370		
		2413	
Increase during the year 1909			4036
Membership December 27, 1909			92116

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS OF LODGES FOR 1910.

Mon. F. M. = Monday on or before Full Moon.

F. M. Mon. = Monday on or after Full Moon.

Mon. a. F. M. = Monday after Full Moon.

Mon. b. F. M. = Monday before Full Moon.

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2	Philadelphia	B	3d Mon.....	216	1	14			7	224
3	"	B	3d Tues.....	291	3	18	1		10	301
9	"	E	1st Fri.	486	2	38	2	1	12	511
19	Montgomery	"	D	1st Thur.	263	2	20	3		7	275
21	Perseverance	Harrisburg	2	2d Mon.....	459	4	41		4	5	495
22	.....	Sunbury	46	*	180	1	18			3	196
25	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	8	Sat. F. M. ...	172	2	5		1	5	173
43	.....	Lancaster.....	1	2d Wed.	333	1	20	2	10	3	339
45	.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Wed....	454	3	26	6		5	472
51	.....	Philadelphia	D	4th Thur.	150		7			8	149
52	Harmony	"	D	1st Mon.....	303	1	17		2	5	314
59	Washington.....	"	A	2d Tues.....	685	9	31	4	2	14	705
60	Brownsville.....	Brownsville	31	1st Mon.....	145	1	6	3		4	145
61	.....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	1st Mon.....	406	2	32	2	1	9	428
62	.....	Reading	7	1st Mon.....	336		26	1	1	4	356
67	Concordia.....	Philadelphia	C	3d Thur.....	386	5	31	4	1	4	413
70	Rural Amity.....	Athens	16	†	305	3	19		5	8	314
71	La Fayette.....	Philadelphia	B	4th Wed.	235	1	16	3	2	9	238
72	Philadelphia	"	A	3d Thur.....	254		14	2	1	8	257
75	Phoenix.....	Phoenixville....	40	Sat. F. M. ...	254	1	14	3	3	3	260
81	Hiram.....	Philadelphia	F	2d Wed.....	188		8			6	190
91	Columbia	"	C	4th Mon.....	185	3	20	1		8	199
106	.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Mon	410	8	30		2	7	439
108	Union.....	Towanda.....	16	3d Wed.....	218	2	14			6	228
114	Solomon's.....	Philadelphia	B	3d Fri.....	240	1	22	3		1	259
115	St. John's.....	"	E	2d Mon.....	429	3	29		2	10	449
121	Union	"	A	2d Thur.....	161		8	3		9	157
125	Hermann	"	B	2d Wed.....	298	1	9			8	300
126	Rising Star.....	"	C	2d Mon.....	232	2	35		3	4	262
130	Phoenix.....	"	D	3d Wed.....	268	2	16	2		4	280
131	Industry	"	E	2d Mon.....	214	1	18		1	5	227
134	Franklin.....	"	A	‡	162	1	7	1	1	3	165
135	Roxborough.....	"	F	2d Tues.....	346	1	20			4	363
138	Schuylkill.....	Orwigsburg	11	Last Mon....	80	1	12		1		92
143	George Washington	Chambersburg...	3	2d Fri	219	1	10		2	4	224
144	Charity.....	Lewisburg	18	Tues. F. M....	116	2	9	3		2	122
152	Easton.....	Easton	9	1st Thur.	251	1	9			3	258
153	Waynesburg	Waynesburg	29	2d Mon.....	188	1	13			6	196

* No. 22 meets evening of Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Sunday; then Monday.

† No. 70 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

‡ No. 134 meets last week day of every month.

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155	Mount Moriah.....	Philadelphia.....	B	4th Tues.....	514	2	34	5	2	11	532
156	Washington.....	Quarryville.....	1	Fri. F. M. ..	97	1	1		1	1	97
158	Meridian Sun.....	Philadelphia.....	D	1st Tues.....	683	2	51	1	2	8	725
163	Evergreen.....	Monroeton.....	16	Tues. F. M... 170			6				176
164	Washington.....	Washington.....	29	1st Mon.....	191	4	9			7	197
186	Eastern Star.....	Philadelphia.....	C	2d Wed.....	233	3	12		4	7	237
187	Integrity.....	".....	D	2d Thur.....	248		10			11	247
190	Charity.....	Norristown.....	6	1st Mon.....	449	3	25	1	3	9	464
194	La Fayette.....	Selinsgrove.....	46	Fri. F. M....	124	4	16			2	142
197	Cumberland Star...	Carlisle.....	3	2d Tues.....	175	1	12		2	4	182
199	La Fayette.....	Lock Haven.....	33	2d Thur.....	204	1	6	2	2		207
203	Lewistown.....	Lewistown.....	19	*.....	231		9		1	1	238
211	Kensington.....	Philadelphia.....	F	1st Fri.....	520		22		3	12	527
216	Pulaski.....	Pottsville.....	11	3d Mon.....	242	1	3	1	1	1	243
218	Honesdale.....	Honesdale.....	14	Thur. F. M... 158		1	1		3	1	156
219	St. John's.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	2d Thur.....	654	4	39	3	1	20	673
220	Portage.....	Hollidaysburg...	20	1st Tues.....	123	1	14			2	136
221	Franklin.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	3d Thur.....	544		19	3		9	551
222	Minersville.....	Minersville.....	11	2d Thur.....	86		6			3	89
223	Allegheny.....	Allegheny.....	32	2d Mon.....	418	1	18	3	1	5	428
224	Danville.....	Danville.....	35	3d Tues.....	145		8	2		4	147
225	Philanthropy.....	Greensburg.....	30	2d Mon.....	166		17		1	3	179
226	Mount Lebanon....	Lebanon.....	7	†.....	256	1	19	3	1	5	267
227	Chandler.....	Reading.....	7	1st Tues.....	463	2	43	1	1	13	493
228	Fayette.....	Uniontown.....	31	2d Mon.....	280	1	8			6	283
229	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	37	1st Fri.....	244	3	16		1	8	254
230	Richmond.....	Philadelphia.....	F	2d Wed.....	335	2	25	5	4	12	341
231	Solomon.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	1st Thur.....	184		7			2	189
232	La Belle Vallée....	Jersey Shore....	18	1st Fri.....	170	5	8	1	2	3	177
233	St. John's.....	Pittston.....	12	‡.....	199	7	9		1	5	209
234	Crawford.....	Meadville.....	25	1st Thur.....	153	2	5	9	1	2	148
236	Chester.....	Chester.....	36	1st Thur.....	422	2	15	3	1	11	424
237	Beallsville.....	Beallsville.....	29	Wed. F. M... 116			5			3	118
238	Tamaqua.....	Tamaqua.....	11	Fri. F. M.... 223			8	1		5	225
239	Armstrong.....	Freeport.....	27	3d Mon.....	85	1	3			1	88
240	Warren.....	Montrose.....	15	Wed. F. M... 98			3	2		1	98
241	North Star.....	Warren.....	23	3d Thur.....	297	2	18	1	3	1	312
242	Carbon.....	Mauch Chunk... 45		2d Wed.....	143		3	1		2	143
243	Mahoning.....	New Castle.....	26	4th Tues.....	316	4	14		1	5	328
244	Kittanning.....	Kittanning.....	27	1st Tues.....	163		5			2	166
245	Doylestown.....	Doylestown.....	8	Fri. F. M.... 226			2				228
246	Shekinah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	3d Mon.....	620	1	19	3	1	12	624
247	Friendship.....	Mansfield.....	17	Mon. F. M... 106			6			1	111
248	Temple.....	Tunkhannock... 16		§.....	184		4			4	184
249	Carbondale.....	Carbondale.....	13	1st Wed.....	235	1	16			4	248
250	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	26	1st Fri.....	245	1	23	3		2	264
252	Gummert.....	Fayette City.... 31		Mon. F. M... 136		1	14	1	1	4	145
253	Washington.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Tues.... 431		2	26	3		10	446
254	Stichter.....	Pottstown.....	40	2d Wed.....	279	2	22		2	6	295
255	Shamokin.....	Shamokin.....	46	1st Fri.....	251		18			4	265
256	Milton.....	Milton.....	46	1st Mon.....	183		11			5	189

* No. 203 meets second Tuesday and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 226 meets third Thursday and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

‡ No. 233 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

§ No. 248 meets Monday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day.

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258	Western Crawford .	Conneautville . . .	25	1st Mon.	77		3			2	78
259	Union	New Brighton . .	37	1st Tues.	181	1	8		5	2	183
260	St. John's	Carlisle	3	3d Thur.	197		13			2	208
261	Hiram	Scranton	13	2d Thur.	166		20	3	1	2	180
262	Orrstown	Orrstown	3	Thur. F. M. . . .	58		2		2	1	57
263	Franklin	Laceyville	16	Tues. F. M. . . .	103	1	1	1	2	1	101
264	Columbus	Columbus	23	Thur. F. M. . . .	43						43
265	Washington	Bloomsburg	35	3d Mon.	221		13			4	230
266	York	York	42	*	238	1	17	1	1	7	247
267	Swatara	Tremont	11	2d Thur.	136		7			1	142
268	Bellefonte	Bellefonte	21	Tues. F. M. . . .	209		9	3	2	3	210
269	Monongahela	Pittsburgh	47	1st Fri.	504		33	2		10	525
270	Page	Schuylkill Haven	11	2d Fri.	126		7		1	2	130
271	Keystone	Philadelphia	E	1st Mon.	263		17		3	2	275
272	Butler	Butler	27	1st Thur.	272	4	26	1		4	297
273	Cassia	Ardmore	6	1st Thur.	359	6	31	4	1	3	388
274	Hamilton	Philadelphia	B	4th Tues.	335	2	21	4		7	347
275	Loyalhanna	Latrobe	30	1st Mon.	131	1	5				137
276	Hobah	Brookville	27	2d Mon.	163		3		1	3	162
277	Clarion	Clarion	27	1st Mon.	159	1	7		1	4	162
278	Cambria	Johnstown	41	2d Tues.	324	2	21	3	2	5	337
281	Mountain	Altoona	20	3d Tues.	280	1	17	3	1	6	288
282	Juniata	Hollidaysburg . . .	20	2d Mon.	139	1	8			5	143
283	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	9	1st Tues.	188	1	13	3	1	1	197
284	Porter	Catasauqua	10	1st Fri.	173		9	1	1	4	176
285	Anthracite	St. Clair	11	3d Wed.	104	1	2			1	106
286	Columbia	Columbia	42	1st Thur.	199	2	5			5	201
287	Milnor	Pittsburgh	28	3d Tues.	759	3	49	3	3	11	794
288	Jefferson	Allegheny	32	1st Wed.	138		8		2	3	141
289	Orient	Philadelphia	E	4th Fri.	298		10	2	1	10	295
290	Eureka	Greenville	26	1st Mon.	189		28		1	1	215
291	Union	Scranton	13	1st Fri.	461	2	22	2	1	5	477
292	Frankford	Philadelphia	F	2d Tues.	392	3	20	5	4	11	395
294	Ashland	Ashland	11	2d Thur.	166		14		1	3	176
295	Melita	Philadelphia	D	4th Wed.	554	5	31	1	3	7	579
296	Mitchell	"	F	2d Thur.	363	2	19	1	1	10	372
297	Chartiers	Canonsburg	29	2d Mon.	118		2	1	1		118
298	Geo. W. Bartram . .	Media	36	2d Mon.	195	3	9		1	2	204
299	Muncy	Muncy	18	1st Thur.	182		5	2		4	181
300	Mount Moriah	Huntingdon	34	2d Mon.	184		8		1	7	184
301	Waverly	Clark's Summit . .	13	Tues. F. M. . . .	127		11	1			137
302	Eureka	Mechanicsburg . .	3	1st Mon.	176	3	9			2	186
303	Oil Creek	Titusville	25	1st & 3d Tues. . .	152	4	4			5	155
304	Western Star	Albion	24	1st & 3d Tues. . .	98	1	7		1	4	101
305	Hawley	Hawley	14	Tues. F. M. . . .	68		7	2	1	2	70
306	Trojan	Troy	16	2d Tues.	125	5	13			3	140
307	Williamson	Womelsdorf	7	1st Thur.	145	6	15	1	3	3	159
308	Fort Washington . .	Fort Washington	8	3d Sat.	116		8	2	2		120
309	Williamson	Downingtown . . .	5	Fri. F. M. . . .	129		8		1		136
310	Warren	Trappe	6	Sat. F. M. . . .	118	1	6		1	5	119
311	Portland	Portland	9	Thur. F. M. . . .	77		14			4	87

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312	Summit.....	Ebensburg	41	2d Tues.....	209		6	1	1	2	211
313	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	39	2d Tues.....	148		8	1	1	2	152
314	Clearfield	Clearfield.....	21	1st Mon.....	172	1	4			4	173
315	Cumberland Valley	Shippensburg....	3	2d Fri.....	78	2	4	1			83
316	Myrtle.....	Franklin.....	23	1st & 3d Mon.	253	2	15		1	2	267
317	Ossea	Wellsboro.....	17	1st Tues.....	189	2	9	1	2	3	194
318	McKinley.....	Allegheny	32	1st Tues.....	427	2	25	3	1	13	437
319	Adams.....	New Bloomfield .	19	Wed. F. M...	68		10			1	77
320	Bedford.....	Bedford.....	34	2d Thur.....	133		11		1	3	140
321	Hailman.....	Pittsburgh	48	3d Tues.....	378		18	2		5	389
322	West Chester.....	West Chester....	5	1st Mon.....	230	1	18	2		4	243
323	Peter Williamson..	Scranton.....	13	1st Tues.....	493	9	29	10	1	10	510
324	Union.....	Mifflintown	19	2d Thur.....	126	1	11			4	134
325	Barger.....	Stroudsburg.....	9	1st Tues.....	197		19			4	212
326	Lehigh	Trexlerstown.....	10	Tues. F. M...	98		2		1	4	95
327	Hazle.....	Hazleton.....	45	1st Mon.....	255		18			4	269
328	Freedom.....	Jackson.....	15	Wed. F. M...	58		3		1		60
330	Salem.....	Hamlinton	14	Mon. F. M...	87		4				91
331	Ligonier.....	Ligonier.....	30	Fri. b. F. M..	112		4	2			114
332	Plymouth.....	Plymouth.....	12	*	122	1	2	1		2	122
333	Barger.....	Allentown	10	3d Fri.....	276		12			4	284
334	Union.....	Bradford.....	22	2d Thur.....	408	4	2	2	3	5	404
335	Eureka	Montoursville ...	18	Fri. b. F. M..	108	1	11				120
336	Good Samaritan ...	Gettysburg.....	4	2d Thur.....	127	1	4			2	130
337	Henry M. Phillips.	Monongahela....	43	2d Tues.....	213		8	4		4	213
338	Great Bend.....	Great Bend.....	15	2d Tues.....	77	1	2	3			77
339	Hyde Park.....	Scranton.....	13	1st Mon.....	391	3	18	2	1	3	406
340	Thomson.....	Green Tree.....	5	Wed. F. M...	196	1	11		1		207
341	Factoryville.....	Factoryville.....	13	Tues. F. M...	105	2	9	3		2	111
342	Eulalia	Coudersport.....	44	†	182	2	7	2	1		188
343	Skerrett.....	Cochranville.....	5	Tues. F. M...	153		2			1	154
344	Milford.....	Milford.....	14	Wed. F. M...	75		7			1	81
345	Schiller.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Mon.....	361	1	8	2	2	6	360
346	King Solomon's ...	Connellsville	31	1st Tues.....	227	8	10		1	5	239
347	Lake Erie.....	Girard.....	24	1st Wed.....	114	1	11	1	1	2	122
348	Patmos	Hanover.....	4	2d Tues.....	144		11	2			153
349	Catawissa.....	Catawissa	35	Tues. b. F. M.	116	1	3	1		4	115
350	Bloss.....	Blossburg.....	17	Sat. F. M...	184	1	8	3	6	3	181
351	Cowanesque.....	Knoxville.....	17	Wed. F. M...	86		4		1	2	87
352	Lucius H. Scott....	Chester.....	36	1st Tues.....	302		6	1		3	304
353	Oxford.....	Oxford.....	36	Wed. F. M...	179		9			1	187
354	Sylvania	Shickshinny.....	12	Mon. F. M...	97		6			3	100
355	Acacia.....	Blairsville.....	39	2d Thur.....	145		8		1	2	150
357	Mahanoy City.....	Mahanoy City....	11	3d Thur.....	123		3		2	4	120
358	Somerset.....	Somerset.....	41	2d Tues.....	152		8				160
359	Humboldt.....	Philadelphia	C	4th Thur.....	149		9			6	152
360	Canawacta	Susquehanna	15	1st Fri.....	143	5	13			6	155
361	Big Spring.....	Newville	3	2d Thur.....	86		8				94
362	Tyrian	Erie.....	24	1st Fri.....	217	2	11		2	6	222
363	Petrolia	Oil City.....	23	1st Fri.....	413	5	35	1	2	6	444
364	Susquehanna	Millersburg	2	1st Fri.....	92					2	90

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† No. 342 meets second and fourth Wednesdays, except December, which shall be second Wednesday.

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365	Corry	Corry	24	1st Tues.	111	1	6		3	2	113
366	Eureka	Union City	24	1st Fri.	78		7	1		4	80
367	Teutonia	Reading	7	3d Thur.	115		4	1		4	114
368	Corinthian	Philadelphia	A	3d Tues.	207	3	10	4		6	210
369	Williamson	"	C	3d Thur.	175	1	9	2		5	178
370	Mifflinburg	Mifflinburg	18	Mon. F. M. ...	100		2	2			100
371	Lamberton	Thompsontown ..	19	Mon. F. M. ...	37		1			1	37
372	Spartan	Spartansburg	25	1st Mon.	51	2	2		2	1	52
373	Tioga	Tioga	17	3d Thur.	90		3		1		92
374	Davage	Allegheny	32	2d Thur.	348	4	22	6		6	362
375	Alliquippa	McKeesport	38	1st Tues.	358	1	17	3	2	1	370
376	McVeytown	McVeytown	19	1st Tues.	61				1	2	58
377	Huguenot	Kutztown	7	Sat. F. M. ...	148		12	1		1	158
378	Mount Carmel	Mt. Carmel	46	2d Thur.	128					3	125
379	Elk	Ridgway	33	2d & 4th Tues.	217	7	11	1	1	2	231
380	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	D	1st Tues.	190		22		2	3	207
381	Newport	Newport	19	1st Tues.	86	1	6			1	92
382	Emporium	Emporium	33	2d Tues.	133	1	5		1	4	134
383	Goddard	Coatesville	5	1st Tues.	180		18		1	4	193
384	Richard Vaux	Philadelphia	E	1st Mon.	307	2	29	2	2	6	328
385	Oriental	"	C	1st Thur.	601	3	62	5	2	11	648
386	Apollo	"	D	3d Wed.	371	6	17	4	1	9	380
388	McKean	Smethport	22	2d & 4th Wed.	109	1	8				118
389	Kedron	West Middlesex ..	26	1st Mon.	60		6		1	1	64
390	McCandless	Pittsburgh	28	2d Wed.	366		24		3	9	378
391	Moshannon	Philipsburg	21	2d Thur.	180		7		2	1	184
392	Perry	Erie	24	2d Tues.	259	6	14		2	4	273
393	Vaux	Philadelphia	C	4th Tues.	260		33	4		4	285
395	Kingston	Kingston	12	2d Wed.	199	2	14			3	212
396	Dallas	Easton	9	1st Tues.	305		13	5	3	4	306
397	Ivy	Williamsport	18	1st Tues.	357	4	29			8	382
398	Ashara	Marietta	1	Mon. F. M. ...	87		7			4	90
399	North East	North East	24	1st Wed.	136	3	10			2	147
400	Friendship	Jenkintown	8	2d Tues.	252	1	41	4		3	287
401	Watson town	Watson town	46	Wed. F. M. ...	113		6			4	115
402	Perkins	Philadelphia	E	1st Fri.	297	3	17	1	1	12	303
404	Eureka	Northumberland ..	46	3d Mon.	78		9			4	83
405	Howell	Honey Brook	5	Wed. F. M. ...	120		4			1	123
406	Vaux	Hamburg	7	2d Thur.	166		9			3	172
408	.....	Meadville	25	1st Mon.	111		9	1	2		117
409	Pine Grove	Pine Grove	11	1st Mon.	70		7			2	75
410	W. K. Bray	Hatboro	8	Wed. F. M. ...	116	1	14			2	129
411	Meridian	Enon Valley	37	Fri. F. M. ...	77		2			2	77
412	Temple	Tidioute	23	2d Tues.	66		4		1		69
413	Manoquesy	Bath	9	2d Thur.	78		8			3	83
414	Elysburg	Elysburg	46	Thur. F. M. ...	52					1	51
415	Canton	Canton	16	Tues. F. M. ...	132	1	2	3		3	129
416	Oasis	Edinboro	24	2d & 4th Tues.	49	2	4		2	2	51
417	Christiana	Christiana	1	Thur. F. M. ...	162	2	7	1		6	164
418	Roman	Rome	16	Sat. F. M. ...	54	1	1	2			54
419	Wm. B. Schnider ..	Philadelphia	C	2d Tues.	505	2	28	3		6	526

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420	Fritz	Conshohocken...	6	3d Tues.....	175	1	21	2		1	194
421	Osceola	Elkland	17	2d Fri.....	68		5	2			71
423	Shrewsbury	Shrewsbury	4	Tues. F. M...	88	1	2	1		1	89
424	Adelphic	Jamestown.....	26	1st Tues.....	71	1	7	4	1	2	72
425	Waterford.....	Waterford	24	Tues. F. M...	91		6	1	1	1	94
426	Cressona.....	Cressona	11	Thur. F. M...	76		2				78
427	Newtown.....	Newtown	8	Wed. F. M...	122		3		5	1	119
428	Smithfield.....	East Smithfield..	16	*	41		2		1		42
429	Harmony	Zelienople.....	37	Thur. F. M...	85	1	5			2	89
430	Stuckrath	Allegheny	32	2d Thur.....	500	2	27		3	4	522
431	Williamson	Saltsburg	39	1st Tues.....	60		13			1	72
432	.....	Philadelphia	D	2d Thur.....	345	1	10		1	5	350
433	Lodge of the Craft..	New Castle.....	26	3d Tues.....	299	4	22	2		2	321
434	Lake	Sandy Lake.....	26	2d Thur.....	155	1	3	2		4	153
435	St. John's.....	Reading.....	7	1st Fri.....	257		37			1	293
436	Mozart	Philadelphia	A	2d Tues.....	345	7	30		5	3	374
437	Apollo	Apollo.....	39	2d Tues.....	89		4	2			91
438	Nicholson.....	Nicholson.....	15	Sat. F. M....	105	1	2	2		1	105
439	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	15	1st Mon.....	91		1		5		87
440	Slatington	Slatington.....	10	Thur. F. M...	109		11	1	2	1	116
441	Potter	Philadelphia	E	3d Fri.....	446	1	48	1	2	16	476
442	Landmark	Wilkes-Barre....	12	2d Mon.....	420	4	26	2	2	6	440
443	Mount Pisgah.....	Greencastle.....	3	Tues. F. M...	88		14	2	2		98
444	Philo.....	Philadelphia	B	3d Tues.....	289		19	2	1	3	302
445	Harford.....	Hop Bottom.....	15	Thurs. F. M...	70		11			2	79
446	Mount Pickering...	Upper Uwchlan..	40	Mon. b. F. M.	147		3			3	147
447	Claysville.....	Claysville.....	29	Fri. F. M....	75		10	1		1	83
448	Zeredatha.....	Sharpsburg.....	32	2d Thur.....	285	n o	re	t u	r n		285
449	Ivanhoe	Philadelphia	A	2d Thur.....	329	1	31	4		7	350
450	Stephen Girard	"	B	4th Wed.....	276	6	23	1		4	300
451	Zeredatha	York	42	†	191	1	14	3	1	3	199
453	Welcome.....	Philadelphia	A	3d Thur.....	255	2	6	2	2	1	258
454	Richard Vaux.....	Burgettstown....	29	4th Fri.....	115	1	7		1	2	120
455	Keystone.....	Erie	24	3d Tues.....	271		14	1		2	282
456	Covenant	Philadelphia	C	2d Tues.....	302		19		2	12	307
457	St. James.....	Beaver.....	37	Thur. F. M...	168	3	24	5		2	188
458	Perry.....	Marysville	19	1st Tues.....	91		4			2	93
459	Valley.....	Masontown.....	31	Thur. F. M...	134		6				140
460	Oriental.....	Orangeville.....	35	Tues. F. M...	103		3	1			105
461	Monongahela Valley	Coal Center	43	3d Mon.....	118	1	3				122
462	Knapp.....	Berwick	45	Fri. F. M....	191		20	1	1	3	206
463	Shepherd.....	Titusville	25	1st & 3d Mon.	115	4	5	2			122
464	Robert Burns.....	Harrisburg	2	3d Thur.....	509	2	40	2	1	3	545
465	Hebron.....	New Oxford.....	4	3d Mon.....	85	1					86
466	Kingsbury	Olyphant	13	1st Fri.....	101	1	17		1		118
467	Laurel	White Haven....	45	Mon. F. M...	75	1			1		75
468	Wyoming	Wyoming.....	12	Last Fri.....	100		8			1	107
469	Saucon	Coopersburg.....	10	Tues. F. M...	58	1	3				62
470	Palestine	Philadelphia	F	2d Thur.....	254		19	2		3	268
471	Le Ray.....	Le Raysville....	16	Sat. F. M....	48	1	3			1	51
472	Mount Hermon....	Uniondale.....	15	Fri. F. M....	56		3				59

* No. 428 meets Friday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 451 meets first Thursday after first Monday.

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473	Covenant	Cambridge Spr'gs	25	2d & 4th Fri..	146	1	7	1	1	2	150
474	Coalville	Ashley	12	2d Tues.	148		7	2		1	152
475	Kennett	Kennett Square..	36	Thur. F. M... 146			6			2	150
476	Lamberton	Lancaster	1	1st Tues.	297		12	1	1	1	306
477	Westfield	Westfield	17	Sat. F. M.... 136	1	6			1	2	140
478	Beaver Valley	Beaver Falls....	37	3d Tues.	171		9		1	2	177
479	Union	Birdsboro	7	Thur. F. M... 121	1	7				1	128
480	Noble	Curwensville	21	Tues. F. M... 109		2				1	110
481	St. Paul's	Philadelphia	D	1st Thur..... 550	5	43	12		1	3	582
482	Athelstan	"	E	1st Tues. 207	2	9				8	210
483	Fraternal	Rouseville	23	1st & 3d Wed. 101		3					104
484	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	28	2d Mon. 565	2	40			1	9	597
485	Glasgow	Smith's Ferry ...	37	Tues. F. M... 80		6			1	2	83
486	Prince Edwin	Middletown	2	1st Mon. 118	1	3	1	13		2	106
487	Rob't A. Lamberton	Philadelphia	E	1st Tues. 265	2	23	1			4	285
490	Logan	Altoona	20	1st Tues. 297		17			3		311
491	Excelsior	Philadelphia	A	3d Wed. 301		13	4			4	306
493	Crescent	"	C	2d Mon. 291	2	17			2	9	299
494	Tyrone	Tyrone	20	3d Mon. 222	1	4	3		1	2	221
495	Renovo	Renovo	33	1st Tues. 158		16			1	2	171
496	Charles M. Howell.	Millersville	1	Fri. F. M.... 109		11				1	119
498	Pine	Linesville	25	1st Tues. 54	2	7	1			1	61
499	Valley	Pittston	12	1st Thur..... 204	2	14				2	218
500	Wm. C. Hamilton.	Philadelphia	A	3d Wed. 550	5	50	6	4		9	586
502	Pollock	Tarentum	32	1st Thur..... 221	2	20			2	3	238
503	Riverside	Wrightsville	42	3d Mon. 75		6				4	77
504	Moscow	Moscow	13	Fri. F. M.... 79	1	10				3	87
505	Liberty	Port Allegany ...	22	1st Tues. 79	1	6					86
506	Jerusalem	Philadelphia	F	2d Thur..... 333	1	30				2	362
507	New Milford	New Milford	15	3d Wed. 40	1	2				3	40
508	Dallas	Pittsburgh	28	1st Fri. 824	6	47		3		6	868
509	Germania	"	47	2d Fri. 172		6				6	172
510	Braddock's Field...	Braddock	38	3d Tues. 371	1	14				2	384
511	Shenandoah	Shenandoah	11	Wed. b. F. M. 94		8				1	101
512	Quakertown	Quakertown. ...	8	Thur. F. M... 107		6			1	3	109
513	Guyasuta	Pittsburgh	47	3d Tues. 238	1	11	2		1	2	245
515	Osceola	Osceola Mills....	21	2d Mon. 150		13				2	161
516	Mahoning	Danville	35	2d Tues. 161		6				1	166
517	Sharpsville	Sharpsville	26	1st Thur..... 73	1	2			2	1	73
518	Westmoreland	Greensburg	30	3d Tues. 177		2	1		1	2	175
519	Gothic	Philadelphia	F	3d Thur..... 280	3	26	3			3	303
520	Canby	St. Petersburg...	27	1st Thur..... 95		4					99
521	Parker City	Parker's Landing	27	1st Mon. 90	1	2				2	91
522	New Bethlehem ...	New Bethlehem..	27	1st Wed. 177		9			1	5	180
523	Aurora	Jermyn	13	3d Tues. 79		1	1				79
524	Everett	Everett	34	Fri. F. M.... 150	1	7					158
525	Ionic	Allegheny	32	1st Mon. 446	1	33	1			6	473
526	Stephen Bayard...	Elizabeth	43	3d Mon. 130		13	2		1	1	139
527	Philates	Philadelphia	B	2d Fri. 203	2	12	4				213
528	Mount Horeb	"	A	2d Tues. 263	3	13	1		3	1	274
529	St. Alban	"	D	1st Thur..... 280	1	14			1	6	288

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530	Bellevue.....	Bellevue	32	3d Mon.	399	3	27			4	425
531	George M. Dallas..	Dallas	12	Thur. F. M...	74		3				77
532	Driftwood.....	Driftwood.....	33	2d Fri.....	97		5	1	1	1	99
533	Wattsburg.....	Wattsburg.....	24	2d Fri.....	43		3	3			43
534	John W. Jenks....	Punxsutawney ..	21	1st Tues.....	169		7		2	1	173
535	Oakland	Pittsburgh	28	1st Mon.....	177	1	10			4	184
536	John M. Read.....	Reynoldsville....	27	2d Tues.	86		9				95
537	Old Fort	Centre Hall	21	Mon. F. M...	77	1	1			1	78
538	Johnstown.....	Johnstown.....	41	1st Thur.....	247	2	12	1		1	259
539	Woodbury.....	Roaring Spring..	20	Thur. F. M...	108	1	7		1	1	114
540	Argyle.....	Chicora.....	27	Wed. F. M...	178		3	10		1	170
541	Nanticoke.....	Nanticoke.....	12	2d Thur.....	186		7			2	191
542	Waymart.....	Waymart.....	14	Tues. F. M...	45		1			2	44
543	Fernwood.....	Philadelphia	E	4th Thur.....	400	5	22	2	3	6	416
544	Centennial	Carnegie.....	47	1st Mon.....	311	2	17		1	3	326
545	New London.....	West Grove.....	36	Mon. F. M...	94	1	4	1		1	97
546	Duquesne	Pittsburgh	48	2d Thur.....	455	1	23		2	6	471
547	Stillwater.....	Sugar Grove.....	23	Fri. F. M...	51		8	2	2	1	54
548	Verona	Verona	38	1st Tues.....	106		15		2	1	118
549	Reading	Reading	7	4th Thur.....	310		20		1	4	325
550	Edenburg.....	Edenburg.....	27	1st Tues.....	47					1	46
551	Casiphia	Mount Joy.....	1	Fri. F. M...	76		7			4	79
552	Allegheny Valley..	Emlenton.....	27	2d Tues.....	106		4			1	109
553	Spring City	Spring City	40	Thur. F. M...	150		7			6	151
554	Meyersdale.....	Meyersdale.....	41	1st Mon.....	163		7			4	166
555	Northern Star	Duke Centre	22	1st & 3d Tues.	79	1		2	1		77
556	Lewisville.....	Ulysses	44	1st & 3d Wed.	80	1	5	3		1	82
557	Olive.....	Tionesta	23	2d Mon.....	85	1	4	1		1	88
558	Shiloh	Lansdale.....	6	2d Tues.....	140		29		2	1	166
559	Garfield.....	Du Bois.....	21	1st Thur.....	203		13	1	2	3	210
560	Eldred.....	Eldred.....	22	2d & 4th Tues.	66		5	8	1	1	61
561	Greenleaf	Allentown	10	3d Thur.....	308		10			2	316
562	Marion	Scottdale.....	30	1st Thur.....	161	1	11	1		1	171
563	Hellertown.....	Hellertown.....	9	3d Fri.....	77		5			2	80
564	Coatesville	Coatesville	5	2d Thur.....	171		10	3		3	175
565	Bangor	Bangor.....	9	2d Wed.....	112		7				119
566	Kane	Kane.....	33	1st Wed.....	139	4	12		1	2	152
567	Prosperity.....	Riegelsville	8	Fri. F. M...	71	1	2	1			73
568	La Monte.....	Derry Station....	30	1st Thur.....	88		2			2	88
569	Keystone.....	Parkesburg.....	5	Fri. F. M...	98		4			1	101
570	Ashlar.....	Lykens	2	Tues. F. M...	127		5			1	131
571	Wilcox	Wilcox	33	1st & 3d Tues.	83		1			1	83
572	Cromwell.....	Orbisonia	34	Last Tues. ...	79	1	3				83
573	Corinthian.....	Millvale Borough	32	4th Tues.....	153	1	6	2	1	1	156
574	Coalport.....	Coalport	21	4th Mon.....	109	1	8			1	117
575	Hebron.....	Mercer.....	26	2d Mon.....	113		6			1	118
576	Crescent	Pittsburgh	28	2d Tues.....	280	1	8	2		2	285
577	Leechburg	Leechburg	27	2d Thur.....	88		3				91
578	Prospect	Moores	36	1st Thur.....	151	3	25	1	2	2	174
579	Acacia.....	Taylor.....	13	1st Mon.....	204		15	8	2	3	206
580	Arcana	Austin.....	44	2d & 4th Wed.	84	2	3	3			86

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581	Wayne	Wayne	6	3d Tues.	110		8		1		117
582	Homestead.....	Homestead	38	3d Mon.	302		20		1	2	319
583	Youghiogheny.....	McKeesport.....	38	3d Tues.	340		28		3	3	362
584	King Solomon.....	Dunmore.....	13	1st Mon.....	136	1	9			1	145
585	Royersford	Royersford	40	2d Fri.....	111		5	1	1	3	111
586	Acacia.....	Waynesboro.....	4	3d Fri.....	123		4		1	1	125
587	Manheim	Manheim	1	Mon. F. M....	126		8		13		121
588	Oriental Star	Peckville	13	2d Tues.	110		10				120
589	Hyndman.....	Hyndman.....	34	3d Mon.	65		2	1		1	65
590	Orient.....	Wilkinsburg	38	1st Tues.....	437	4	30	5	1	2	463
591	Equity.....	Philadelphia	C	2d Wed.....	235		25	4	2	2	253
592	Adelpha.....	Harrison Valley..	44	2d & 4th Tues.	45		2				47
593	Blyth	West Newton ...	30	Mon. F. M....	122		8		1	1	128
594	Pen Argyl	Pen Argyl	9	1st Thur.....	81		1			2	80
595	Perkiomen	East Greenville..	40	F. M. Tues....	56	1	3				60
596	MacCalla	Sellersville	8	2d Mon.	88		5		2		91
597	Green Ridge.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Fri.....	222		7			3	226
598	Sharon.....	Shingle House... 44		2d & 4th Thur.	89	1	9				99
599	Ellwood	Ellwood City.... 26		3d Wed.....	94	1	12	1	1	2	103
600	Tacony	Philadelphia	F	3d Tues.....	207	n o		r e	t u	r n	207
601	Shidle	Irwin	30	1st Tues.....	117		16			4	129
602	Galeton	Galeton.....	44	1st & 3d Tues.	128		5			1	132
603	Grove City.....	Grove City.....	26	3d Tues.	130	1	14	2		2	141
604	Garfield.....	McDonald	29	2d Tues.....	154	1	12	3			164
605	E. Coppée Mitchell	Philadelphia	B	3d Mon.	257		20	4	3	6	264
606	Radiant Star.....	"	C	4th Mon.....	135	1	10		1	2	143
607	Olivet	"	B	4th Tues.....	405	5	23	6	3	8	416
608	Joppa	Pittsburgh	48	1st Tues.....	211		11	1	2	3	216
609	Progress	Philadelphia	A	4th Wed.....	260		34			1	293
610	University.....	"	E	4th Fri.....	875	4	43	1	5	7	909
611	Arbutus	Freeland.....	45	3d Tues.....	107		4				111
612	Tyrian	Wilmerding.....	38	1st Thur.....	226	1	12	1	2	1	235
613	Valley.....	Turtle Creek.... 38		2d Tues.....	153	3	16	3	1		168
614	James Cochran	Dawson.....	31	2d Tues.....	70		4	2		1	71
615	Charleroi.....	Charleroi.....	43	2d Thur.....	192		10		3		199
616	Hiram	Altoona.....	20	3d Thur.....	129		15		1	2	141
617	Kiskiminetas.....	Vandergrift.....	39	1st Tues.....	114		13				127
618	Wyalusing.....	Wyalusing.....	16	Fri. F. M....	75		5			3	77
619	Middleburg	Middleburg	46	*	74		5		1	1	77
620	Norristown.....	Norristown.....	6	3d Mon.....	228	3	33	2	1	3	258
621	Lehighton	Lehighton	45	1st Thur.....	111		8	1	2		116
622	Whitfield.....	Nazareth.....	9	2d Mon.....	82		3				85
623	Sunset	Washington.....	29	3d Mon.....	105	2	11				118
624	Henry W. Williams	Philadelphia	F	2d Tues.....	118		4	4	2		116
625	Concord.....	Concordville.... 36		Wed. F. M....	100		6				106
626	Donora	Donora.....	43	3d Tues.....	102	2	12	2			114
627	Mount Jewett.....	Mount Jewett ... 22		4th Mon.....	70		7				77
628	J. Simpson Africa .	East Stroudsburg. 9		4th Thur.....	89		12			2	99
629	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	2	1st Thur.	199	2	29	2		3	225
630	Doric.....	Sewickley.....	32	2d Thur.....	118	1	7		1		125
631	Colonial	Philadelphia E		1st Fri	64	2	4			1	69

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632	Maclay	Sunbury	46	Fri. a. F. M. . .	147	1	13	1		1	159
633	Acacia	Marienville	23	1st Wed.	41		8			1	48
634	Fort Pitt	Pittsburgh	48	1st Mon.	212	1	18		3		228
635	Homewood	"	48	3d Mon.	191		21		2	1	209
636	Michael Arnold. . .	Philadelphia . . .	B	3d Mon.	119	1	8				128
637	Chapman	Northampton . . .	9	2d Wed.	93		10			1	102
638	Monessen	Monessen	43	1st Tues.	108	1	17			1	125
639	George E. Wagner.	Saint Marys.	33	1st Mon.	85		6		1	1	89
640	East Brady	East Brady	27	1st Thur.	86		3			2	87
641	McKeesport	McKeesport	38	2d Fri.	185	4	23			1	211
642	New Castle	New Castle	26	1st Mon.	145		18	1	1	2	159
643	Belle Vernon	Belle Vernon	43	1st Mon.	66	1	8				75
644	Tyrian	New Kensington. .	30	2d Tues.	60		7				67
645	Conrad B. Day . . .	Philadelphia . . .	E	2d Fri.	83		8		1		90
646	William L. Elkins.	"	C	1st Thur.	197	3	25	1			224
647	Beta	Wilkinsburg	38	3d Mon.	213	1	26		1	1	238
648	H. Stanley Goodwin	South Bethlehem .	9	3d Wed.	116	2	15		2	3	128
649	Red Lion.	Red Lion	42	Thur. F. M. . .	75	1	7				83
650	Geter C. Shidle. . .	Pittsburgh	28	4th Thur.	117	1	17			1	134
651	Laurel	Uniontown	31	1st Mon.	46	1	9				56
652	La Fayette	Carnegie	47	1st Tues.	124		14			1	137
653	Crafton	Crafton	47	2d Fri.	190	2	23	1	2	1	211
654	Charles M. Swain .	Philadelphia . . .	D	1st Fri.	119	1	22				142
655	Fidelity	Wilkes-Barre . . .	12	1st Tues.	176		26				202
656	Swissvale	Swissvale	38	2d Mon.	69	1	19	1			88
657	Avalon	Bellevue	32	1st Tues.	130	3	21			1	153
658	Patton	Patton	41	3d Tues.	59		9				68
659	Thomas R. Patton..	Philadelphia . . .	A	3d Wed.	73	3	22				98
660	Isaac Hiester . . .	Reading	7	3d Mon.	200	1	31				232
661	Mat. H. Henderson	Philadelphia . . .	D	3d Fri.	59	3	10		2	1	69
662	Parian	Beaver Falls . . .	37	1st Fri.	65		14				79
663	Friendship	Fawn Grove . . .	42	Wed. F. M. . .		21	5				26
664	Moosic	Moosic	13	2d Mon.		28	16				44
665	Ephrata	Ephrata	1	2d Tues.		28	13			1	40
666	Brownstone	Hummelstown. . .	2	1st Tues.		21	8				29

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Number of Lodges December 27, 1909.....	477
Lodges constituted during the year 1910	4
Number of Lodges December 27, 1910.....	481

Membership of Lodges December 27, 1909.....		92116
Admitted during the year 1910	632	
Initiated during the year 1910	5972	
		6604
Suspended and expelled during the year 1910....	471	
Resigned during the year 1910.....	402	
Deceased during the year 1910.....	1417	
		2290
Increase during the year 1910.....		4314
Membership December 27, 1910.....		96430

NOTE.—These figures have been taken from General Returns before examination, and are subject to correction.

A TABULAR STATEMENT

of the Lodges included in each District, with the name and residence of each District Deputy Grand Master.

District.	DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.	RESIDENCE.	LODGE.		LOCATION OF LODGE.	
			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
A	Thomas D. Finletter, of Lodge No. 528...	Philadelphia.....	Washington	59	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
			Philadelphia.....	72	"	"
			Union	121	"	"
			Franklin	134	"	"
			Shekinah.....	246	"	"
			Corinthian	368	"	"
			Mozart.....	436	"	"
			Ivanhoe.....	449	"	"
			Welcome.....	453	"	"
			Excelsior	491	"	"
			William C. Hamilton	500	"	"
			Mount Horeb.....	528	"	"
			Progress.....	609	"	"
			Thomas R. Patton....	659	"	"
			2	"	"
B	John M. Walton, of Lodge No. 444 ...	Philadelphia.....	3	"	"
			La Fayette.....	71	"	"
			Solomon's	114	"	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
C	Samuel A. Boyle, of Lodge No. 126	Philadelphia	Hermann	125	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
			Mount Moriah	155	"	"
			Hamilton	274	"	"
			Philo	444	"	"
			Stephen Girard	450	"	"
			Philates	527	"	"
			E. Coppée Mitchell	605	"	"
			Olivet	607	"	"
			Michael Arnold	636	"	"
			Concordia	67	"	"
			Columbia	91	"	"
			Rising Star	126	"	"
			Eastern Star	186	"	"
			Humboldt	359	"	"
			Williamson	369	"	"
			Oriental	385	"	"
			Vaux	393	"	"
			William B. Schnider	419	"	"
			Covenant	456	"	"
			Crescent	493	"	"
			Equity	591	"	"
			Radiant Star	606	"	"
			William L. Elkins	646	"	"
D	Robert R. Bringhurst, of Lodge No. 654	Philadelphia	Montgomery	19	"	"
			Harmony	52	"	"
			Phoenix	130	"	"
			Meridian Sun	158	"	"

E	Thomas H. Fenton, of Lodge No. 51	Philadelphia.....	Integrity	187	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
			Melita	295	"	"
F	George Hale, of Lodge No. 610	Philadelphia.....	Pennsylvania	380	"	"
			Apollo	386	"	"
			.....	432	"	"
			St. Paul's	481	"	"
			St. Alban	529	"	"
			Charles M. Swain ...	654	"	"
			Matthias H. Henderson	661	"	"
			.....	9	"	"
			.....	51	"	"
			St. John's	115	"	"
			Industry	131	"	"
			Keystone	271	"	"
			Orient	289	"	"
			Richard Vaux	384	"	"
			Perkins	402	"	"
			Potter	441	"	"
			Athelstan	482	"	"
			Robert A. Lamberton	487	"	"
			Fernwood	543	"	"
			Colonial	631	"	"
			Conrad B. Day	645	"	"
			Hiram	81	"	"
			Roxborough	135	"	"
			Kensington	211	"	"
			Richmond	230	"	"
			Frankford	292	"	"
			Mitchell	296	"	"
			Palestine	470	"	"
			Jerusalem	506	"	"
			Gothic	519	"	"
			Tacony	600	"	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
1	John W. Lansing, of Lodge No. 43	Millersville, Lancaster Co.	University	610	Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
			Henry W. Williams..	624	"	"
			.....	43	Lancaster	Lancaster.
			Washington	156	Quarryville	"
			Columbia	286	Columbia.....	"
			Ashara	398	Marietta	"
			Christiana	417	Christiana.....	"
			Lamberton	476	Lancaster	"
			Charles M. Howell..	496	Millersville	"
			Casiphia.....	551	Mount Joy	"
			Manheim.....	587	Manheim	"
			Ephrata	665	Ephrata.....	"
			Perseverance.....	21	Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.
			Susquehanna	364	Millersburg	"
2	William M. Donaldson, of Lodge No. 464	Harrisburg, Dauphin Co.	Robert Burns	464	Harrisburg.....	"
			Prince Edwin.....	486	Middletown.....	"
			Ashlar	570	Wiconisco	"
			Harrisburg	629	Harrisburg.....	"
			Brownstone.....	666	Hummelstown.....	"
			Cumberland Star.....	197	Carlisle	Cumberland.
			St. John's.....	260	"	"
			Eureka.....	302	Mechanicsburg	"
			Cumberland Valley..	315	Shippensburg	"
			Big Spring.....	361	Newville	"
			George Washington..	143	Chambersburg.....	Franklin.
			Orrstown.....	262	Orrstown	"
			Mount Pisgah.....	443	Green Castle.....	"
			Good Samaritan.....	336	Gettysburg.....	Adams.
3	Samuel M. Goodyear, of Lodge No. 197	Carlisle, Cumberland Co.				
4	George H. Shirk, of Lodge No. 348	Hanover, York Co.....				

15	5	David H. Weaver, of Lodge No. 564	Coatesville, Chester Co.	Hebron Patmos Shrewsbury Acacia Williamson West Chester Thomson Skerrett Goddard Howell Coatesville Keystone	465 348 423 586 309 322 340 343 383 405 564 569	New Oxford Hanover Shrewsbury Waynesboro' Downtown West Chester Green Tree Station Cochranville Coatesville Honeybrook Coatesville Parkesburg	Adams York " Franklin. Chester. " " " " " " " "
6		Thaddeus S. Adle, of Lodge No. 190	Norristown, Montg'y Co.	Charity Cassia Warren Fritz Shiloh Norristown Wayne	190 273 310 420 558 620 581	Norristown Ardmore Trappe Conshohocken Lansdale Norristown Wayne	Montgomery. " " " " " Delaware.
7		Adam H. Schmehl, of Lodge No. 435	Reading, Berks Co. . . . .	. . . . . Chandler Williamson Teutonia Huguenot Vaux St. John's Union Reading Isaac Hiest Mount Lebanon	62 227 307 367 377 406 435 479 549 660 226	Reading " Womelsdorf Reading Kutztown Hamburg Reading Birdsboro' Reading " Lebanon	Berks. " " " " " " " " " Lebanon.
8		James N. Richards, of Lodge No. 25	Fallsington, Bucks Co.	Bristol Doylestown	25 245	Bristol Doylestown	Bucks. "

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
9	John Frederick Beitel, of Lodge No. 152	Nazareth, N'thampt'n Co.	Newtown	427	Newtown	Bucks.
			Quakertown	512	Quakertown	"
			Prosperity	567	Riegelsville	"
			MacCalla	596	Sellersville	"
			Fort Washington	308	Fort Washington ..	Montgomery.
			Friendship	400	Jenkintown	"
			W. K. Bray	410	Hatboro'	"
			Easton	152	Easton	Northampton.
			Bethlehem	283	Bethlehem	"
			Portland	311	Portland	"
10	Aaron R. Trumbower, of Lodge No. 469	Passer, Bucks Co.....	Dallas	396	Easton	"
			Manoquesy	413	Bath	"
			Hellertown	563	Hellertown	"
			Bangor	565	Bangor	"
			Pen Argyl	594	Pen Argyl	"
			Whitfield	622	Nazareth	"
			Chapman	637	Northampton	"
			H. Stanley Goodwin ..	648	South Bethlehem...	"
			Barger	325	Stroudsburg	Monroe.
			J. Simpson Africa	628	East Stroudsburg ...	"
11	William S. Pugh, of Lodge No. 216	Pottsville, Schuylkill Co.	Porter	284	Catasauqua	Lehigh.
			Lehigh	326	Trexlerstown	"
			Barger	333	Allentown	"
			Slatington	440	Slatington	"
			Saucon	469	Coopersburg	"
			Greenleaf	561	Allentown	"
			Schuylkill	138	Orwigsburg	Schuylkill.

12	Woodward Leavenworth, of Lodge No. 442	Wilkes-Barre, Luz'ne Co.	Pulaski	216	Pottsville	Schuylkill.
			Minersville	222	Minersville	"
			Tamaqua	238	Tamaqua	"
			Swatara	267	Tremont	"
			Page	270	Schuylkill Haven	"
			Anthracite	285	St. Clair	"
			Ashland	294	Ashland	"
			Mahanoy City	357	Mahanoy City	"
			Pine Grove	409	Pine Grove	"
			Cressona	426	Cressona	"
			Shenandoah	511	Shenandoah	"
			. . . . .	61	Wilkes-Barre	Luzerne.
			St. John's	233	Pittston	"
			Plymouth	332	Plymouth	"
			Sylvania	354	Shickshinny	"
			Kingston	395	Kingston	"
			Landmark	442	Wilkes-Barre	"
			Wyoming	468	Wyoming	"
			Coalville	474	Ashley	"
			Valley	499	Pittston	"
13	Thomas F. Wells, of Lodge No. 323	Scranton, Lackaw'na Co.	George M. Dallas	531	Dallas	"
			Nanticoke	541	Nanticoke	"
			Fidelity	655	Wilkes-Barre	"
			Carbondale	249	Carbondale	Lackawanna.
			Hiram	261	Scranton	"
			Union	291	"	"
			Waverly	301	Clark's Summit	"
			Peter Williamson	323	Scranton	"
			Hyde Park	339	"	"
			Schiller	345	"	"
			Kingsbury	466	Olyphant	"
			Moscow	504	Moscow	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
14	William H. Hulsizer, of Lodge No. 218	Honesdale, Wayne Co....	Aurora.....	523	Jermyn	Lackawanna.
			Acacia	579	Taylor	"
			King Solomon.....	584	Dunmore	"
			Oriental Star.....	588	Peckville	"
			Green Ridge.....	597	Scranton	"
			Moosic.....	664	Moosic.....	"
			Honesdale	218	Honesdale	Wayne.
			Hawley	305	Hawley.....	"
			Salem	330	Hamlington	"
			Waymart	542	Waymart	"
			Milford	344	Milford	Pike.
			Warren	240	Montrose	Susquehanna.
			Freedom	328	Jackson	"
			Great Bend.....	338	Great Bend.....	"
15	Homer E. Spencer, of Lodge No. 360	Susquehanna, Susq'a Co.	Canawacta	360	Susquehanna	"
			Forest City.....	439	Forest City	"
			Harford	445	Hop Bottom.....	"
			Mount Hermon.....	472	Uniondale.....	"
			New Milford.....	507	New Milford.....	"
			Factoryville	341	Factoryville.....	Wyoming.
			Nicholson	438	Nicholson.....	"
			Rural Amity.....	70	Athens	Bradford.
			Union	108	Towanda	"
			Evergreen	163	Monroeton	"
			Trojan	306	Troy	"
			Canton.....	415	Canton	"
			Roman.....	418	Rome	"
16	John W. Coddling, of Lodge No. 108	Towanda, Bradford Co....				

17	Howard F. Marsh, of Lodge No. 317 . . .	Wellsboro, Tioga Co.	Smithfield	428	East Smithfield	Bradford.
			Le Ray	471	Le Raysville	"
			Wyalusing	618	Wyalusing	"
			Temple	248	Tunkhannock	Wyoming.
			Franklin	263	Laceyville	"
			Friendship	247	Mansfield	Tioga.
			Ossea	317	Wellsboro'	"
			Bloss	350	Blossburg	"
			Cowanesque	351	Knoxville	"
			Tioga	373	Tioga	"
18	John G. Hess, of Lodge No. 397	Williamsport, Lyco'g Co.	Osceola	421	Osceola	"
			Westfield	477	Westfield	"
			. . . . .	106	Williamsport	Lycoming.
			La Belle Vallée	232	Jersey Shore	"
			Muncy	299	Muncy	"
			Eureka	335	Montoursville	"
			Ivy	397	Williamsport	"
			Charity	144	Lewisburg	Union.
			Mifflinburg	370	Mifflinburg	"
			Adams	319	New Bloomfield	Perry.
19	Ezra C. Doty, of Lodge No. 324	Mifflintown, Juniata Co.	Newport	381	Newport	"
			Perry	458	Marysville	"
			Lewistown	203	Lewistown	Mifflin.
			McVeytown	376	McVeytown	"
			Union	324	Mifflintown	Juniata.
			Lamberton	371	Thompsonstown	"
			Portage	220	Hollidaysburg	Blair.
			Mountain	281	Altoona	"
			Juniata	282	Hollidaysburg	"
			Logan	490	Altoona	"
20	Boyd G. Steel, of Lodge No. 281	Altoona, Blair Co.	Tyrone	494	Tyrone	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
21	Wilson I. Fleming, of Lodge No. 268	Bellefonte, Centre Co. . . .	Woodbury	539	Roaring Spring	Blair.
			Hiram	616	Altoona	"
			Bellefonte	268	Bellefonte	Centre.
			Moshannon	391	Phillipsburg	"
			Old Fort	537	Center Hall	"
			Clearfield	314	Clearfield	Clearfield.
			Noble	480	Curwensville	"
			Osceola	515	Osceola Mills	"
			Garfield	559	Du Bois	"
			Coalport	574	Coalport	"
22	John P. Melvin, of Lodge No. 334	Bradford, McKean Co. . .	John W. Jenks	534	Punxsutawney	Jefferson.
			Union	334	Bradford	McKean.
			McKean	388	Smethport	"
			Liberty	505	Port Allegany	"
			Northern Star	555	Duke Center	"
			Eldred	560	Eldred	"
			Mount Jewett	627	Mount Jewett	"
			North Star	241	Warren	Warren.
			Columbus	264	Columbus	"
			Temple	412	Tidioute	"
23	William F. Cullis, of Lodge No. 363	Oil City, Venango Co. . .	Stillwater	547	Sugar Grove	"
			Myrtle	316	Franklin	Venango.
			Petrolia	363	Oil City	"
			Fraternal	483	Rouseville	"
			Olive	557	Tionesta	Forest.
			Acacia	633	Marienville	"

24	David A. Sawdey, of Lodge No. 392	Erie, Erie Co.....	Western Star.....	304	Albion	Erie.
			Lake Erie	347	Girard	"
			Tyrian	362	Erie	"
			Corry	365	Corry	"
			Eureka.....	366	Union City	"
			Perry	392	Erie	"
			North East.....	399	North East.....	"
			Oasis.....	416	Edinboro'	"
			Waterford	425	Waterford	"
			Keystone	455	Erie	"
			Wattsburg	533	Wattsburg	"
			Crawford	234	Meadville.....	Crawford.
25	Adrian W. McCoy, of Lodge No. 234	Meadville, Crawford Co.	Western Crawford....	258	Conneautville	"
			Oil Creek	303	Titusville	"
			Spartan	372	Spartansburg	"
			.....	408	Meadville	"
			Shepherd	463	Titusville	"
			Covenant.....	473	Cambridge Springs..	"
			Pine	498	Linesville	"
			Mahoning.....	243	New Castle.....	Lawrence.
			Lodge of the Craft....	433	"	"
			New Castle.....	642	"	"
			Ellwood.....	599	Ellwood City.....	Mercer.
			Sharon	250	Sharon	"
			Eureka.....	290	Greenville	"
26	John S. Wallace, of Lodge No. 433	New Castle, Lawrence Co.	Kedron	389	West Middlesex....	"
			Adelphic	424	Jamestown.....	"
			Lake	434	Sandy Lake.....	"
			Sharpville	517	Sharpville	"
			Hebron	575	Mercer	"
			Grove City	603	Grove City.....	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
27	William B. Meredith, of Lodge No. 244	Kittanning, Armstr'g Co.	Butler	272	Butler	Butler.
			Argyle	540	Chicora	"
			Armstrong	239	Freeport	Armstrong.
			Kittanning	244	Kittanning	"
			Parker City	521	Parker's Landing	"
			Leechburg	577	Leechburg	"
			Hobah	276	Brookville	Jefferson.
			John M. Read	536	Reynoldsville	"
			Clarion	277	Clarion	Clarion.
			Canby	520	St. Petersburg	"
			New Bethlehem	522	New Bethlehem	"
			Edenburgh	550	Edenburgh	"
			East Brady	640	East Brady	"
			Allegheny Valley	552	Emlenton	Venango.
			.....	45	Pittsburgh	Allegheny.
			St. John's	219	"	"
			Franklin	221	"	"
28	William M. Hamilton, of Lodge No. 576	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Solomon	231	"	"
			Washington	253	"	"
			Milnor	287	"	"
			McCandless	390	"	"
			Pittsburgh	484	"	"
			Dallas	508	"	"
			Oakland	535	"	"
			Crescent	576	"	"
			Geter C. Shidle	650	"	"

29	James W. McDowell, of Lodge No. 164	Washington, Wash. Co.	Washington Beallsville Chartiers Claysville Richard Vaux Garfield Sunset Waynesburg	164 237 297 447 454 604 623 153	Washington Beallsville Canonsburg Claysville Burgettstown McDonald Washington Waynesburg	Washington. " " " " " " Greene.
30	John S. Sell, of Lodge No. 518	Greensburg, Westm'd Co.	Philanthropy Loyalhanna Ligonier Westmoreland Marion La Monte Blyth Shidle Tyrian	225 275 331 518 562 568 593 601 644	Greensburg Latrobe Ligonier Greensburg Scottdale Derry Station West Newton Irwin New Kensington	Westmoreland. " " " " " " " "
31	John D. Carr, of Lodge No. 228	Uniontown, Fayette Co.	Brownsville Fayette Gummert King Solomon's Valley James Cochran Laurel	60 228 252 346 459 614 651	Brownsville Uniontown Fayette City Connellsville Mason town Dawson Uniontown	Fayette. " " " " " "
32	James McLaren, of Lodge No. 223	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Allegheny Jefferson McKinley Davage Stuckrath Zeredatha	223 288 318 374 430 448	Allegheny " " " " Sharpsburg	Allegheny. " " " " "

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33	Kimball D. Bachelier, of Lodge No. 199	Lock Haven, Clinton Co..	Pollock	502	Tarentum	Allegheny.
			Ionic	525	Allegheny	"
			Bellevue	530	Bellevue	"
			Avalon	657	"	"
			Corinthian	573	Millvale Borough	"
			Doric	630	Sewickley	"
			La Fayette	199	Lock Haven	Clinton.
			Renovo	495	Renovo	"
			Elk	379	Ridgway	Elk.
			Wilcox	571	Wilcox	"
			George E. Wagner	639	St. Marys	"
			Emporium	382	Emporium	Cameron.
			Driftwood	532	Driftwood	"
34	Howard C. Frontz, of Lodge No. 300	Huntingdon, Hunt'n Co.	Kane	566	Kane	McKean.
			Mount Moriah	300	Huntingdon	Huntingdon.
			Cromwell	572	Orbisonia	"
			Bedford	320	Bedford	Bedford.
			Everett	524	Everett	"
35	William L. Sidler, of Lodge No. 516	Danville, Montour Co. . . .	Hyndman	589	Hyndman	"
			Danville	224	Danville	Montour.
			Mahoning	516	"	"
			Washington	265	Bloomsburg	Columbia.
			Catawissa	349	Catawissa	"
36	John D. Goff, of Lodge No. 236	Chester, Delaware Co. . . .	Oriental	460	Orangeville	"
			Chester	236	Chester	Delaware.

37	Frank C. O'Rourke, of Lodge No. 259	New Brighton, Beaver Co.	George W. Bartram	298	Media	Delaware.
			Lucius H. Scott	352	Chester	"
			Prospect	578	Moore's	"
			Concord	625	Concordville	"
			Oxford	353	Oxford	Chester.
			Kennett	475	Kennett Square	"
			New London	545	West Grove	"
			Rochester	229	Rochester	Beaver.
			Union	259	New Brighton	"
			St. James	457	Beaver	"
			Beaver Valley	478	Beaver Falls	"
			Glasgow	485	Smith's Ferry	"
			Parian	662	Beaver Falls	"
38	Samuel Hamilton, of Lodge No. 510	Braddock, Allegheny Co.	Harmony	429	Zelienople	Butler.
			Meridian	411	Enon Valley	Lawrence.
			Alliquippa	375	McKeesport	Allegheny.
			Braddock's Field	510	Braddock	"
			Verona	548	Verona	"
			Homestead	582	Homestead	"
			Youghiogeny	583	McKeesport	"
			Orient	590	Wilkinsburg	"
			Tyrian	612	Wilmerding	"
			Valley	613	Turtle Creek	"
			McKeesport	641	McKeesport	"
			Beta	647	Wilkinsburg	"
			Swissvale	656	Swissvale	"
39	William S. Daugherty, of Lodge No. 313	Indiana, Indiana Co.	Indiana	313	Indiana	Indiana.
			Acacia	355	Blairsville	"
			Williamson	431	Saltsburg	"
			Apollo	437	Apollo	Armstrong.
			Kiskiminetas	617	Vandergrift	Westmoreland.
			Stichter	254	Pottstown	Montgomery.
			Royersford	585	Royersford	"
40	William H. Maxwell, of Lodge No. 254	Pottstown, Montgo'ry Co.				

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
41	John G. Broad, of Lodge No. 278	South Fork, Cambria Co.	Perkiomen.....	595	East Greenville.....	Montgomery.
			Phoenix	75	Phoenixville.....	Chester.
			Mt. Pickering.....	446	Upper Uwchlan.....	"
			Spring City.....	553	Spring City.....	"
			Cambria.....	278	Johnstown	Cambria.
			Summit	312	Ebensburg	"
			Johnstown.....	538	Johnstown.....	"
			Patton.....	658	Patton	"
			Somerset	358	Somerset.....	Somerset.
			Meyersdale	554	Meyersdale.....	"
42	Richard E. Cochran, of Lodge No. 266	York, York Co.....	York	266	York	York.
			Zeredatha	451	"	"
			Riverside	503	Wrightsville	"
			Red Lion.....	649	Red Lion.....	"
			Friendship	663	Fawn Grove.....	"
			Henry M. Phillips...	337	Monongahela.....	Washington.
			Monongahela Valley..	461	Coal Center.....	"
43	George B. Frantz, of Lodge No. 461	Coal Center, W'sh't'n Co.	Charleroi	615	Charleroi	"
			Donora	626	Donora	"
			Stephen Bayard.....	526	Elizabeth	Allegheny.
			Monessen	638	Monessen	Westmoreland.
			Belle Vernon	643	Belle Vernon.....	Fayette.
			Eulalia.....	342	Coudersport	Potter.
			Lewisville	556	Ulysses	"
			Arcana	580	Austin	"
			Adelpha.....	592	Harrison Valley....	"
44	Edgar W. Robinson, of Lodge No. 342	Coudersport, Potter Co...				

45	Frederick L. Smith, of Lodge No. 327	Hazleton, Luzerne Co. . . .	Sharon Galeton	598 602	Shingle House Galeton	Potter. “
46	Frederic A. Godcharles, of Lodge No. 256	Milton, Northumb'ld Co.	Hazle Laurel Arbutus Carbon Leighton Knapp Shamokin Milton Mount Carmel Watson town Eureka Elysburg Mac lay La Fayette Middleburg	327 467 611 242 621 462 22 255 256 378 401 404 414 632 194 619	Hazleton White Haven Freeland Mauch Chunk Leighton Berwick Sunbury Shamokin Milton Mount Carmel Watson town Northumberland Elysburg Sunbury Selinsgrove Middleburg	Luzerne. “ “ Carbon. “ Columbia. Northumberland. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ Snyder. “
47	William D. McIlroy, of Lodge No. 219	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Monongahela Germania Guyasuta Centennial La Fayette Crafton	269 509 513 544 652 653	Pittsburgh “ “ Carnegie “ Crafton	Allegheny. “ “ “ “ “
48	J. Harvey Harrison, of Lodge No. 321	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Hailman Duquesne Joppa Fort Pitt Homewood	321 546 608 634 635	Pittsburgh “ “ “ “	Allegheny. “ “ “ “

Brother William B. Joslyn, of Lodge No. 274, Philadelphia, Instructor of Work.

GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND

From its Organization on the 25th day of September, A.D. 1786, Grand Lodge of England, having been closed forever), with years

Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1786 ¹	* William Adcock.	* Alexander Rutherford.†	* Joseph Dean.
1787 ²	do.	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.†	do.
1788 ³	do.	do.	do.
1789	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	* George Ord.	do.
1790	do.	do.	* Joseph Few.
1791	do.	* Joseph Few.	* Thomas Proctor.
1792	do.	do.	do.
1793	do.	* John Carson.	* Gavin Hamilton.
1794	do.	do.	* John McCree.
1795	* William Ball.	* William Moore Smith.	* Thomas Town.
1796	* William Moore Smith.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.
1797	do.	do.	do.
1798	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	do.	do.
1799	do.	* Israel Israel.	* James Milnor.
1800	do.	do.	do.
1801	do.	do.	do.
1802	do.	* James Milnor.	* John W. Van Cleve.
1803	* Israel Israel.	* John Armantiere Monges.	* Ebenezer Ferguson.
1804	do.	* James Milnor.	do.
1805	do.	* Frederick Wolbert.	* Robert Pullen.
1806	* James Milnor.	do.	* Robert Lewis.
1807	do.	do.	do.
1808	do.	* Peter Le Barbier Duplessis.	do.
1809	do.	do.	* Richard Tybout.
1810	do.	do.	do.
1811	do.	do.	do.
1812	do.	do.	do.
1813	do.	* Richard Tybout.	* Joseph Burden.
1814	* Richard Tybout.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.
1815	* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.
1816	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.
1817	do.	do.	do.
1818	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.	* Thomas Elliott.
1819	do.	do.	do.
1820	do.	* Thomas Elliott.	* Josiah Randall.
1821	do.	do.	do.
1822	* Josiah Randall.	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.
1823	do.	do.	do.
1824	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera.
1825	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.
1826	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet
1827	do.	do.	do.
1828	do.	do.	do.
1829	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.
1830	do.	do.	do.
1831	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.
1832	do.	do.	do.
1833	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.
1834	do.	do.	do.
1835	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.
1836	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.	* John M. Read.
1837	* John M. Read.	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* William Stephens.
1838	do.	do.	* Joseph R. Chandler.
1839	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.
1840	do.	do.	do.

* Deceased.

† Appointed by Grand Master.

¹ Election held September 25.

² Election held January 2.

³ Election held December 17, 1787.

LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

A.L. 5786 (the Provincial Grand Lodge, under a Warrant from the of service, the Election occurring annually in December preceding.

Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* William Delaney.	* Gavin Hamilton.	* Assheton Humphreys.	1786 ¹
* George Ord.	do.	do.	1787 ²
do.	do.	do.	1788 ³
* Joseph Few.	do.	do.	1789
* William McIlwaine.	do.	* P. Le Barbier Duplessis.	1790
* Gavin Hamilton.	* Benjamin Mason.	do.	1791
do.	do.	do.	1792
* John McCree.	* Edward Fox.	do.	1793
* Edward Fox.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1794
* John Poor.	* John McElwee.	* Thomas Armstrong.	1795
do.	do.	do.	1796
* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	* George A. Baker.	1797
* David Irving.	do.	do.	1798
* Charles Patton.	do.	do.	1799
* Archibald Alexander.	do.	do.	1800
* John W. Van Cleve.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1801
* Ebenezer Ferguson.	do.	do.	1802
* Robert Pullen.	do.	do.	1803
do.	do.	do.	1804
* Robert Poalk.	* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	1805
do.	do.	do.	1806
do.	do.	do.	1807
do.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.	1808
do.	do.	do.	1809
* Joseph Burden.	do.	do.	1810
do.	do.	do.	1811
do.	do.	do.	1812
* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	do.	1813
* Walter Kerr.	* Thomas Astley.	do.	1814
* Joseph Barnes.	* Richard Bache.	do.	1815
* Richard Bache.	* Joseph S. Lewis.	do. ⁴	1816
* Thomas Elliott.	do.	* George A. Baker, Jr.	1817
* Josiah Randall.	do.	do.	1818
do.	do.	do.	1819
* William McCorkle.	do.	do.	1820
* James Harper.	do.	do.	1821
* Thomas Kittera.	do.	do.	1822
do.	do.	do. ⁵	1823
* Samuel Badger.	do.	* Bernard Dahlgren.	1824
* Michael Nisbet.	do. ⁶	* Samuel H. Thomas.	1825
* John Steele.	* Robert Toland.	do.	1826
do.	do.	do.	1827
do.	* Solomon Allen.	do.	1828
* George M. Dallas.	* Randal Hutchinson.	do.	1829
do.	do.	do.	1830
* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	do.	1831
do.	do.	* John M. Read.	1832
* Robert Toland.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	1833
do.	do.	do.	1834
* John M. Read.	* Robinson R. Moore.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	1835
* Samuel H. Perkins.	do.	do.	1836
* Joseph R. Chandler.	do.	do.	1837
* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	do.	1838
* Francis Cooper.	do.	do.	1839
* William Barger.	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1840

⁴ Died after his re-election, in December, 1816; his son, George A. Baker, Jr., appointed.

⁵ Died October, 1823. Nathan R. Potts appointed.

⁶ Resigned, March 7, 1825. Robert Toland elected, March 21, 1825.

Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1841	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.
1842	do.	do.	do.
1843	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.	* James Page.
1844	* William Barger.	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.
1845	do.	do.	do.
1846	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.
1847	do.	do.	do.
1848	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.
1849	do.	do.	do.
1850	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.
1851	do.	do.	do.
1852	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.
1853	do.	do.	do.
1854	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.
1855	do.	do.	do.
1856	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.	* Henry M. Phillips.
1857	do.	do.	do.
1858	* John K. Mitchell. ³	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.
1859	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.
1860	do.	do.	do.
1861	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.
1862	do.	do.	do.
1863	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.
1864	do.	do.	do.
1865	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.	* Richard Vaux.
1866	do.	do.	do.
1867	* John L. Goddard. ⁵	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.
1868	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.
1869	do.	do.	do.
1870	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.
1871	do.	do.	do.
1872	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.
1873	do.	do.	do.
1874	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.
1875	do.	do.	do.
1876	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.
1877	do.	do.	do.
1878	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.	* Samuel B. Dick.
1879	* Michael Nisbet.	* Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.
1880	do.	do.	do.
1881	* Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.
1882	do.	do.	do.
1883	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.
1884	do.	do.	do.
1885	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.
1886	do.	do.	do.
1887	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.
1888	do.	do.	do.
1889	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.
1890	do.	do.	do.
1891	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.	* Matthias H. Henderson.
1892	do.	do.	do.
1893	* Michael Arnold.	* Matthias H. Henderson.	* William J. Kelly.
1894	do.	do.	do.
1895	* Matthias H. Henderson.	* William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.
1896	do.	do.	do.
1897	* William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.	* George E. Wagner.
1898	do.	do.	do.
1899	* Henry W. Williams. ⁷	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.
1900	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.	* James W. Brown.
1901	do.	do.	do.
1902	Edgar A. Tennis.	* James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.
1903	do.	do.	do.
1904	* James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.	George B. Orlady.
1905	do.	do.	do.
1906	George W. Kendrick, Jr.	George B. Orlady.	George W. Guthrie.
1907	do.	do.	do.
1908	George B. Orlady.	George W. Guthrie.	William L. Gorgas.
1909	do.	do.	do.
1910	George W. Guthrie.	William L. Gorgas.	J. Henry Williams.
1911	do.	do.	do.

* Deceased.

¹ Died in office, May, 1842. William H. Adams appointed, June 6.

² Died in office, January, 1851. Peter Williamson elected, March 3, 1851.

³ Died in office, April 8, 1858.

Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* John W. McGrath.	* Robinson R. Moore.	* Michael Nisbet.	1841
do.	* John Thomson.	do. ¹	1842
* Peter Fritz.	do.	* William H. Adams.	1843
* William Whitney.	do.	do.	1844
do.	do.	do.	1845
* Anthony Bournonville.	do.	do.	1846
do.	do.	do.	1847
* James Hutchinson.	do.	do.	1848
do.	do.	do.	1849
* Alexander Diamond.	do.	do.	1850
do. ²	do.	do.	1851
* John K. Mitchell.	do.	do.	1852
do.	do.	do.	1853
* Henry M. Phillips.	* Thomas E. Baxter.	do.	1854
do.	do.	do.	1855
* John Thomson.	do.	do.	1856
do.	* James Shields.	do.	1857
* David C. Skerrett.	* Peter Williamson.	do.	1858
* Lucius H. Scott.	do.	do.	1859
do.	do.	do.	1860
* John L. Goddard.	do.	do.	1861
do.	do.	do.	1862
* Richard Vaux.	do.	do.	1863
do.	do.	do.	1864
* Robert A. Lamberton.	do.	do.	1865
do.	do.	do. ⁴	1866
* Samuel C. Perkins.	do.	* John Thomson.	1867
* Alfred R. Potter.	do.	do.	1868
do.	do.	do.	1869
* Robert Clark.	do.	do.	1870
do.	do.	do.	1871
* James Madison Porter.	* Thomas Brown.	do.	1872
do.	do.	do.	1873
* Michael Nisbet.	* Thomas R. Patton. ⁹	do.	1874
do.	do.	do.	1875
* Samuel B. Dick.	do.	do.	1876
do.	do.	do.	1877
* Conrad B. Day.	do.	do.	1878
* E. Coppée Mitchell.	do.	do.	1879
do.	do.	do.	1880
* Joseph Eichbaum.	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1881
do.	do.	do.	1882
* Clifford P. MacCalla.	do.	do.	1883
do.	do.	do.	1884
* J. Simpson Africa.	do.	do.	1885
do.	do.	do.	1886
* Michael Arnold.	do.	do.	1887
do.	do.	do.	1888
* Matthias H. Henderson.	do.	do.	1889
do.	do.	do.	1890
* William J. Kelly.	do.	do.	1891
do.	do.	do.	1892
* Henry W. Williams.	do.	do.	1893
do.	do.	do.	1894
* George E. Wagner.	do.	do.	1895
do.	do.	do. ⁶	1896
Edgar A. Tennis.	do.	William A. Sinn.	1897
do.	do.	do.	1898
* James W. Brown.	do.	do.	1899
George W. Kendrick, Jr.	do.	do.	1900
do.	do.	do.	1901
George B. Orlady.	do.	do.	1902
do.	do.	do.	1903
* Charles M. Swain. ⁸	do.	do.	1904
George W. Guthrie.	do.	do.	1905
William L. Gorgas.	do.	do.	1906
do.	do.	do.	1907
J. Henry Williams.	William B. Hackenburg	do.	1908
do.	do.	do.	1909
Louis A. Watres.	do.	do.	1910
do.	do.	do.	1911

⁴ Died in office, February 11, 1866. John Thomson appointed.

⁵ Died in office, July 17, 1867.

⁶ Died in office, May 7, 1896. William A. Sinn appointed, May 15, 1896.

⁷ Died in office, January 25, 1899.

⁸ Died in office, July 23, 1904.¹

⁹ Died in office, September 13, 1907.

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TO THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA:

THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE,—Brother LEE S. SMITH, of Franklin Lodge, No. 221, Brother WILLIAM N. SEIBERT, of Adams Lodge, No. 319, Brother GEORGE A. HOWE, of Franklin Lodge, No. 221, and Brother SMITH V. WILSON, of Clearfield Lodge, No. 314,—presents its annual report for the year A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, by its Chairman, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, who has, as usual, prepared the same.

In giving, in our report last year, the provisions of the various Grand Lodges of the United States regarding the requirement of the production of documentary evidence of good Masonic standing from visitors to Lodges, who are not vouched for, by some accident, the words “West Virginia—No regulation.” were omitted.

The statement given in that list under Pennsylvania, “No regulation.” would have been more accurate had it read, “No regulation in force.”; for at the Adjourned Quarterly Communication of our Grand Lodge, held December 15, 1828, the following was adopted:

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“ Resolved, That no examination shall be gone into in any case unless the visitor shall have sent into the Lodge his name written by himself accompanied by a Lodge or Grand Lodge certificate if he hails from a Lodge within this State, or a Grand Lodge certificate from the proper Jurisdiction if he hails from a Lodge without the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.”

This regulation has substantially been put into force by our present Right Worshipful Grand Master, as will be seen in his annual address this day.

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Sixty-one Proceedings have been received and reviewed, as follows:

ALABAMA	1909	NEW HAMPSHIRE	1910
ALBERTA	1910	NEW JERSEY	1910
ARIZONA	1909	NEW MEXICO	1909
BRITISH COLUMBIA...	1910	NEW SOUTH WALES..	1909
CALIFORNIA	1909	NEW YORK	1910
COLORADO	1910	NEW ZEALAND	1910
CONNECTICUT	1910	NORTH CAROLINA	1910
CUBA	1910	NORTH DAKOTA	1910
DELAWARE	1909	NOVA SCOTIA	1909
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1909	OHIO	1909
ENGLAND	1910	OKLAHOMA	1910
GEORGIA	1909	ONTARIO	1910
IDAHO	1909	OREGON	1910
ILLINOIS	1910	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	
INDIANA	1910		1910
IOWA	1910	QUEBEC	1910
KANSAS	1910	QUEENSLAND	1909
KENTUCKY	1909	RHODE ISLAND	1910
LOUISIANA	1910	SASKATCHEWAN	1910
MAINE	1910	SCOTLAND	1909
MANITOBA	1910	SOUTH AUSTRALIA	1910
MARYLAND	1909	SOUTH CAROLINA	1909
MASSACHUSETTS	1909	SOUTH DAKOTA	1910
MICHIGAN	1910	TEXAS	1909
MINNESOTA	1910	UTAH	1910
MISSISSIPPI	1910	VERMONT	1910
MISSOURI	1910	VIRGINIA	1910
MONTANA	1909	WASHINGTON	1910
NEBRASKA	1910	WEST VIRGINIA	1909
NEVADA	1910	WESTERN AUSTRALIA..	1910
NEW BRUNSWICK	1909	WYOMING	1910

ALABAMA—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama and its Masonic Jurisdiction began its Eighty-ninth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montgomery, on Tuesday, December 7, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, there being four sessions.

Most Worshipful Brother HUGH S. D. MALLORY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is another well prepared paper, dealing mostly with home matters. He granted dispensations for 23 new Lodges. The subject of music again had his consideration, and we quote from his decisions:

“The refrain to the song the first line of which is ‘God be with you till we meet again,’ and the song commonly known as the ‘Long Metre Doxology,’ are sectarian.”

He expressed his regret at not being able to accept the invitation of Grand Master ORLADY to attend the Conference of Grand Masters in Philadelphia, in June, 1909. He recommended the consideration of the advisability of providing a certificate or “receipt,” showing good standing, for Brethren desiring to visit in other Jurisdictions; and later, after the report of the Grand Secretary was read, giving the result of his correspondence with the Grand Lodges of the United States and Canada on that subject, it was deemed inexpedient to legislate on the subject. In Grand Secretary BEAUCHAMP’S report we find the reply of our Jurisdiction thus given:

“Pennsylvania—Reply received as follows:

“ ‘Dear Sir and Brother:

“ ‘Your circular letter of the 8th instant, relative to precautions taken by this Jurisdiction, in regard to the examina-

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tion and requirements of visitors for admission into our Lodges, has been received and shown to our Grand Master, who put to me the following question, which I am unable to answer, to-wit:

“ ‘ Why did your Grand Master not come, or send a representative to the Grand Masters’ Conference, held in this city, June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, when this very question was a topic for fraternal consideration ?

Yours fraternally,

WILLIAM A. SINN, Grand Secretary,
Per JOHN A. PERRY, Deputy.’ ”

An amendment to the Constitution was adopted limiting the period of what is usually called “jurisdiction” over rejected applicants to three years.

In accord with special reports from the Committee on Correspondence, the newly-formed Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was recognized, the request for the inauguration of fraternal Masonic relations with the Bureau of International Masonic Relations, Neuchatel, Switzerland, was declined, and recognition was withheld from the Grand Lodge of Salvador for the present.

A report from the same Committee, recommending decided action in the matter of the difference between the Grand Lodges of Mississippi and New Jersey, was modified by “requesting the Grand Master to act as he sees proper under the circumstances.”

The Masonic Home Committee presented a fine report, telling of the purchase of a site for the Home near Montgomery, consisting of 236 acres, at a cost of \$15,998.50, and showing a good-sized fund to proceed with.

The question having been raised as to whether or not the written ritual may be translated in writing and the unwritten verbally, into a foreign language, in conferring the degrees of Masonry, would violate the Constitution and edicts

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of the Grand Lodge, the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence were of the opinion that such action would not, and the Grand Lodge agreed.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother WILLIAM YATES TITCOMB, his eleventh, and our Brother's observant eye critically scans the doings of the various Jurisdictions. Under Florida, the following shows, though it is not at all necessary, that, according to MARK TWAIN we believe, our good Brother has a mind, because he can change it:

“The writer must confess to having been in favor of reciprocity, as to candidates who lived nearer to a foreign Lodge than to any Lodge in their own State. It seemed to be exercise of courtesy that could do no harm, and promotive of the comfort and convenience of many individuals. On further reflection, however, it has appeared to us that embarrassment might arise from the fact that, under such compact, a Mason residing in one Grand Jurisdiction, would, to a certain extent, be amenable to the rules of another Grand Jurisdiction.”

We agree with Brother TITCOMB, and think the action of his Grand Lodge in making a compact or compacts of reciprocity, may indeed lead to much “embarrassment,” to put it mildly. He quotes a list of Presidents who were Freemasons, but he might well have added the present President, Brother WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT. Our Brother, under Louisiana, gives expression to a thought we have shared, and have suggested in a previous report:

“Just one word as to such [*i.e.*, documentary] evidence, viz.: Any shrewd expert imposter can counterfeit the same. So ‘there you are.’”

The conferring of Past Grand Rank does not appeal to our Brother or to us.

Under Alberta, Brother TITCOMB gives as a definition of a "lewis," "the eldest son of a Master Mason." We were not aware that there was a restriction in the application of this term to the eldest son of a Master Mason.

Under South Carolina, we quote:

"Grand Master Orlady of Pennsylvania was desirous of having the 'Grand Masters, of the several Jurisdictions represented geographically by the thirteen original colonies,' meet in Philadelphia to discuss 'the laws of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material,' being of the opinion that great good might result from such a gathering.

"We cannot find it in our heart to blame M. . . W. . . Brother Orlady for wishing such a distinguished gathering in the 'City of Brotherly Love,'—a wish awakened, no doubt, by recollection of the splendid social meeting of the 15 Grand Masters at Boston, on the invitation of Old St. John's Lodge. But, *cui bono*? The thrashing out of the old, much thrashed straw, might raise a cloud of dust which could hardly clear the atmosphere."

For answer to his query, we refer him to the distinguished Grand Master of South Carolina, Most Worshipful Brother JAMES L. MITCHIE, or any of the other Grand Masters who were present.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is fully reviewed, and several lengthy extracts are made from the report of the Committee on Masonic Homes (where "there appear figures which almost make us gasp for breath," relating to the "magnitude of Masonic charities in Wm. Penn's state"), and from Grand Master ORLADY's annual address, "well worth attentive perusal."

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Several decisions of Grand Master ORLADY are quoted, but our Brother's remark upon the following one:

Set aside the action of Lodge in ballotting for, approving and initiating a petitioner for initiation and membership without first inquiring of the Grand Secretary and receiving from him a favorable reply thereto.

namely:

“The Pennsylvania way, all right, but how can the Grand Secretary judge of a candidate's fitness as well as can those among whom the petitioner lives?”

shows that the purpose of inquiring of the Grand Secretary was not understood, which is to ascertain if there is any Masonic objection; in other words, if the applicant had been previously rejected.

Our Brother speaks kindly of us and our work, and concludes:

“We thank our Brother for the kind wish expressed, that we may pay their magnificent Temple a visit. Delighted would we be to do so, but if our Western brother will pardon just this one Latin quotation, ‘*Vacuus viator videt coram latrones.*’”

Our Brother's Latin quotation we have been unable to find as he gives it; he may have had in mind Juvenal's celebrated line, “*Cantabit vacuus coram latrone viator,*” “The empty-pocketed traveller will sing in the very presence of the robbers” (Satire X, 1. 22), or the other Latin saying which we may translate, “The light-headed traveller sees a robber in every bush.” We know our Brother is not “light-headed,” and refuse to believe he is “empty-pocketed.” We shall be glad to welcome him.

ALBERTA.

Number of Lodges, including 21 newly chartered and 12 under dispensation, 515; raised, 317; total membership, 22,319, a gain of 1097. Receipts, including balance of \$7,793.76, were \$18,318.76; disbursements, \$9,899.98; balance, \$8,418.78.

Most Worshipful Brother LAWRENCE H. LEE, of Montgomery, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, of Montgomery, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ALBERTA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, at the City of Calgary, on Wednesday, May 25, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN T. MACDONALD, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, shows the activities of a faithful and indefatigable Brother; while of interest to the Craft in Alberta especially, its three original poems will commend it to our Iowa Brethren.

At the time of the death of King EDWARD, the Grand Master sent a cablegram expressing the sympathy of the Craft with Her Majesty Queen ALEXANDRA and the other members of the Royal Family.

In his conclusion, the Grand Master writes:

“One recommendation I make, that we all be up and doing. There is work for every one of us to do. No one man, no handful of men can accomplish all our Craft is capable of doing in our land. Some may say, ‘Oh, the little I could do would not count, it would be lost in the chaos and

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confusion,' but brethren, there will be no confusion. Just as every great structure requires a master hand, an architect, so do we require, so have we an Architect, great and strong, the Supreme Architect of the Universe. Let us carry to Him the material, large or small, that we would individually offer for this great moral structure that we hope Freemasonry shall yet build in our land. He will bring order out of the chaos and confusion. He will place stone on stone, thought on thought, deed on deed, until, rising supreme above all the sin and wickedness of this world, will shine forth our completed Masonic Lighthouse, fresh from the efforts of our brethren, beautified by the hands of our Divine Architect. There it will stand to all Eternity, its four corners resting on the everlasting foundations, Fortitude, Temperance, Prudence and Justice, sending a gleam across the storm-tossed sea of life from a lamp fed by the unquenchable oil that gushes forth from the Holy Bible. A gleam that to the shipwrecked mariner on life's tempestuous sea will spell these words, the 'Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.' "

The Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was recognized.

The proposed celebration of the bicentenary anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, on June 24, 1917, was favorably considered.

No report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, including four under dispensation, 46; initiated, 357; total membership, 2990, a gain of 451. Receipts, including balance of \$1,033.77, were \$6,504.21; disbursements, \$4,962.99; balance, \$1,541.22.

Most Worshipful Brother J. J. DUNLOP, of Edmonton, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE MACDONALD, of Calgary, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ARIZONA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona began its Twenty-eighth Annual Communication in the City of Tucson on Tuesday, February 8, A.D. 1910, and closed on Thursday following, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FLETCHER MORRIS DOAN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, gives without undue prolixity an account of his year of service. There seem to be *only* two ciphers of the work, which of course are *two* too many. He reported the "traveling trowel" as having reached Tucson on May 6, 1909.

We quote:

"On October 12, 1909, upon the occasion of the President passing through the territory, I had the pleasure of presenting to him an invitation from Brother A. A. Johns, Worshipful Master of Aztlan Lodge No. 1, requesting his presence at a special meeting of that Lodge at their hall in the Masonic Temple in Prescott. This he graciously accepted, although it was an infringement upon his program. I had the pleasure of attending with him on that occasion a reception tendered him by Aztlan Lodge, on which occasion the register of Aztlan Lodge shows the registration of William Howard Taft, of Kilwinning Lodge No. 356, of Cincinnati, Ohio."

He suggested that the "abstract of the record of the conference of Grand Masters, held in the city of Baltimore, November 17, 1910," on the subject of a National Grand Lodge, be read, which was done.

A welcome visitor was Most Worshipful Brother W. FRANK PIERCE, Grand Master of California, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at the Conference just mentioned.

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The recommendation of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, as to celebrating the bicentenary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of England on June 24, 1917, was favorably received, and the "constituent Lodges" were recommended to join in the celebration.

The Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was recognized.

A "certain Lodge of Masons in the Republic of Mexico" having invaded the Jurisdiction of Arizona, the Grand Master was requested to take the matter up with "the proper authorities of the Jurisdiction of Mexico."

During the year three Past Grand Masters entered into rest, Most Worshipful Brothers FRANCIS MARION ZUCK, ANSEL MELLEN BRAGG, and GEORGE SHAND, the first named being a native of Greensburg, Pennsylvania; portraits of these Brethren are given.

No report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 19; initiated, 167; total membership, 1807, a gain of 146. Receipts, including balance of \$3,048.30, were \$5,515.05; disbursements \$1,662.23; balance, \$3,852.72.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK THOMAS, of Phoenix, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE, of Tucson, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of British Columbia held its Thirty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple (which had been dedicated the day before), in Cranbrook, on Thursday, June 23, A.D. 1910, there being two sessions.

Most Worshipful Brother HARRY NELSON RICH, Grand Master.

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The address of the Grand Master was a practical paper, somewhat brief. In his record of Necrology, under Pennsylvania, is entered, "Francis Marion Lusk, Past Grand Master. Died June 16, 1909." "Lusk" is a slip for "Zuck," Brother ZUCK having been a Past Grand Master of Arizona. As British Columbia permits membership in more than one Lodge, the question, "Can a Brother be W. M. of two Lodges in this Jurisdiction?" has point. The Grand Master answered, "No."

A grant of \$500 to the Anti-Tuberculosis Society was made.

The Grand Chaplain, Very Worshipful Brother Rev. H. G. FIENNES-CLINTON, made an address on "Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love."

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Brother W. A. DEWOLF SMITH, who says, "it is the wittiest we have written so far, if there is any truth in the old adage, but we disclaim any merit;" it appears that the Proceedings of but 18 Jurisdictions reached him up to the time of writing, and Pennsylvania was not in that number. Of course, "brevity is the soul of wit." Our Brother writes, as always, an interesting report, though we are inclined to quote his possible criticism of Brother CHASE, of Maine, as applicable to himself, "He is too sparing of his own opinions."

An Emergent Communication was held in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Victoria, on Tuesday, December 14, A.D. 1909, for the purpose of dedicating the Hall, and also of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of Freemasonry into the Province.

Number of Lodges, including 3 under dispensation, 56; initiated, 350; total membership, 4550, a gain of 408. Receipts, including balance of \$2,597.93, were \$9,012.48; disbursements, \$4,567.57; balance, \$4,444.91.

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Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD B. PAUL, of Victoria, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother R. E. BRETT, of Victoria, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

CALIFORNIA—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California began its Sixtieth Annual Communication at Golden Gate Hall, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, October 12, A.D. 1910, and closed three days later, eight sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother OSCAR LAWLER, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is an able paper by a courageous, capable, and efficient Brother. From his introduction we quote:

“The world at large demands, and rightly so, a course of personal conduct upon the part of members of our venerable organization in keeping with its high ideals and exalted station as a moral institution. Each individual is responsible for the maintenance of the honor and reputation of the Craft, and he who falters or fails in the due performance of this duty, brings discredit, not only upon himself, but upon each of the more than 40,000 Masons in the State, and humiliation into the body of each of our Lodges.”

He reported that \$4,868.50 had been raised for the people of the Island of Sicily, which had been visited, December 30, 1908, by a terrible earthquake, of which \$2,500 had been remitted; and his suggestion that the balance be held as a fund for emergency relief, as it was in this Jurisdiction of ours, was adopted.

The Grand Master, having learned that the Grand Orient of Spain had instituted and still maintains Lodges in the

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Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, suspended the resolution, adopted at the last annual Communication, recommending that the Grand Lodge of California should take immediate steps to organize a Grand Lodge of Masons in the Philippine Islands.

The Special Committee which had recommended the resolution referred to, continued their investigations, and from their full and exhaustive report, which sustained the Grand Master in his action, we quote, for the information of the Pennsylvania Brethren, the following:

“ In response to a letter from Grand Master Oscar Lawler requesting information as to whether or not the Grand Orient of Spain had been infringing on the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Bro. George B. Orlady, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, replied as follows:

“ January 5, 1909.

“ ‘ Oscar Lawler,
Room 901, Call Building,
Los Angeles, Calif.

“ ‘ *Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of F.
& A. M. of California.*

“ ‘ My Dear Sir and Brother:

“ ‘ Answering yours of the 14th ultimo, I have to say it has been the policy of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania since 1831 to decline all applications for the establishment of subordinate Lodges beyond our territorial lines; and when the question of granting a warrant to a subordinate Lodge in the Philippine Islands, subordinate to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was first broached, it was then decided, and which has been consistently adhered to, to decline such application, though a number of them have been presented by our affiliated

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members resident there. The reason for this decision was two-fold:

“ ‘ First—The one above suggested.

“ ‘ Second—That as these American possessions were more directly in touch with California, it was right and proper for the purpose of investigation and ordinary proceedings that the Grand Lodge of California should have control of the Masonic life in those islands.

“ ‘ The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is not in affiliation with the Grand Orient of Spain in any manner, for the reason that we have in Pennsylvania a number of clandestine bodies working under warrants issued by the Grand Orient of Spain.

“ ‘ While we have made no records in relation to the Philippine Islands, it has been the policy of my predecessors in office since 1899 to ignore and condemn the Grand Orient of Spain, and to regard the Philippine Islands as the Masonic property of the Grand Lodge of California.

“ ‘ With Fraternal Greetings for the New Year, I am,
Yours very cordially,

GEORGE B. ORLADY,
Grand Master.’

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(TRANSLATION.)

“ Excerpts from the ‘ Index ’ of the Official Bulletin and Masonic Review of the Grand Orient of Spain (published monthly in Madrid), containing the List of Decrees, Resolutions, Minutes, etc., appertaining to its proceedings for the years 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908.

“ Excerpts from the ‘ Index,’ Official Section:

Record of Official Acts respecting Lodges in Pennsylvania, U. S. A.:

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Year 1907, Decree granting Auspices to Eureka Lodge, No. 293, and Delta Lodge, No. 294, both constituted in the State of Pennsylvania.

Year 1908, Decree of the Grand Council of the Order, finally admitting into the Federation the following Lodges, regularly constituted in the State of Pennsylvania: Fort Bird Lodge, No. 196; Keystone Lodge, No. 297; Cedar Lodge, No. 298; Mount Ophir Lodge, No. 299; Valley Lodge, No. 300; Equality Lodge, No. 301.

Decree (similar to the above) finally admitting Harry Goode Lodge, No. 307; Giordano Bruno Lodge, No. 308, regularly constituted in the State of Pennsylvania.

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“ And after mature deliberation and the evidence placed before this Committee, this Committee is satisfied beyond any reasonable doubt that the Grand Orient of Spain has not only chartered Lodges in the State of Pennsylvania, but also in the State of Iowa, which is shown in the Bulletins of the Grand Orient of Spain above referred to. Having thus unlawfully infringed upon the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and Iowa, which Grand Lodges are and have been for many years in fraternal communication with the Grand Lodge of California, the Grand Orient of Spain has placed itself outside of the pale of a regular Masonic power recognized by the Grand Lodge of California, and is therefore not entitled to any recognition by the Grand Lodge of California.

“ Therefore, your Committee offers the following resolutions and recommends their adoption :

“ *Resolved*, That the action heretofore taken by Grand Master Oscar Lawler, in ordering that the resolution passed

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at the last session of the Grand Lodge of California be suspended and the recommendation thereby made be withheld until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California, be and the same is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved; and, be it further

“*Resolved*, That the Grand Orient of Spain, or any Lodge owing its allegiance thereto, is not entitled to recognition by the Grand Lodge of California; and, be it further

“*Resolved*, That all Masons owing allegiance to the Grand Lodge of California or to the subordinate Lodges thereof be and they are hereby forbidden from holding any Masonic intercourse or communication with any member or Lodge, or Regional Grand Lodge, owing allegiance to the Grand Orient of Spain.”

The record continues:

“Which report was concurred in, and the resolutions accompanying same were unanimously adopted.”

We quote again:

“The Grand Secretary read a letter from Bro. Wm. H. Taft, of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 356, Cincinnati, Ohio, as follows:

“ ‘THE WHITE HOUSE,
WASHINGTON.

Beverly, Massachusetts,
September 13, 1909.

“ ‘BRETHREN:

I am advised that through the good offices of the Navy Department your Grand Master has been provided with two pieces of oak from the U. S. S. Constitution, which are to be formed into a gavel for use by your grand body. There is no more inspiring example of the great service rendered succeeding generations by the founders and defenders of the

Republic than that of those who officered and manned the "Old Ironsides," and that service can not be better justified than by a steady and energetic insistence upon the strict observance by each citizen of that rectitude of conduct which is essential alike to personal self-respect and public confidence.

" "With best wishes for your continued success and prosperity, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

WM. H. TAFT.

" "To the M. W. Grand Lodge,
F. & A. M. of California,
San Francisco.'

" Thereupon M. . W. . Oscar Lawler, in a most inspiring address, which had for its main thought the valor and steadiness of American manhood as exemplified in the devotion to duty of the officers and men of the grand old battleship 'Constitution,' presented to Grand Lodge a gavel made from part of the deck of that vessel, the 'deck once red with heroes' blood.' He had caused it to be bound with a silver band, suitably inscribed, and it will be kept as a priceless souvenir of the thoughtfulness of Brother Taft, by whose order the wood was procured, and of Brother Lawler, who caused it to be fashioned into a gavel.

" On motion of R. . W. . Alonzo J. Monroe, the Grand Master was requested to tender to Brother Taft, personally, the thanks of this Grand Body for his letter."

On Wednesday afternoon a special memorial service was held in honor of the memory of three Brethren, Past Grand Master GILBERT B. CLAIRBORNE, Past Deputy Grand Master REUBEN H. LLOYD, and Past Junior Grand Warden JACOB HART NEFF, when appropriate addresses were delivered.

The Annual Oration was delivered by Brother BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE, who delighted his Brethren.

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A request for a dispensation to hold a meeting of a certain Lodge "on the brow of a hill near the Lodge room," was wisely refused.

Fraternal recognition was withheld from the Grand Orient of Italy.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD H. HART, who has prepared a full and informing paper. He gave particular attention to the subject of Masonic Homes, and we quote from his conclusion :

"The Jurisdictions that have achieved a marked degree of success in the management of their Homes, and whose methods may be worthy of consideration by other Jurisdictions, whose experiences have been less favorable are Kentucky, Tennessee, Texas, Missouri, and for an example of a Home simply for orphans, North Carolina is pre-eminent. Kentucky and Illinois have separate Homes for the aged and the children; and Pennsylvania, when its plans are fully consummated, will have the most comprehensive system of Homes and schools of any Jurisdiction in the world."

Our Brother is intensely loyal to his State and can be sarcastic at times; he has no use for a "General Grand Lodge" or a "Supreme Council," nor have we.

Under Missouri, he writes interestingly of the late General U. S. GRANT, it being stated that the General had at one time applied for initiation and membership to a Lodge in St. Louis, and had been approved, but failed to present himself for initiation. We have seen it stated that General GRANT had received the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees. Brother HART tells us that "Scotland would issue a charter to a Lodge of Hottentots if enough of them could be found to qualify for the initial step and pay the requisite charter fee and Grand Lodge dues."

Pennsylvania for 1908 is well reviewed. We quote:

“ MASONIC HOME.

“ There is, as stated, a Masonic Home in Pennsylvania, incorporated by Act of Assembly in 1871, and it has been in successful operation as a Home for twenty-four years, and the Elkins Orphanage for Girls has been in operation since 1906. The Masonic Home owns real estate and funds of an aggregate value of more than a million dollars, and it provides now for 92 men, 24 widows and 14 girls. It is supported by donations from individuals, from subordinate Lodges and from the Grand Lodge, the contributions from the subordinate Lodges and the Grand Lodge since 1900 aggregating \$68,630.35; and in addition to this, it is worthy of mention that the charity dispensed by the Grand Lodge during the last eight years aggregated \$76,204.75, and the charity disbursements during the same period by the subordinate Lodges, of which records have been kept, amount to \$215,339.10, certainly a noteworthy achievement. But the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is not satisfied with what has been accomplished, and now that the indebtedness against its great Temple property at Filbert and Broad streets, in Philadelphia, has been paid, and the income therefrom, which has for many years been devoted to the liquidation of that obligation, released, it is the purpose and intention to establish a Central Home for the care, maintenance and education, and this without fee or charge of any kind whatever, of all who are entitled to the charitable regard of the fraternity in Pennsylvania, which Home shall be under the direct supervision and exclusive control of the Grand Lodge; and about this Central Home, in which shall be merged the present Masonic Home, to be located at some beautiful spot, some rolling landscape, of which Pennsylvania can boast so many, it is the intention ultimately to group the great charities of the Craft in the Keystone State, including finally the Thomas Ranken

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Patton Masonic Institution for Boys, when the fund for that purpose shall become available in twelve years from the decease of the founder—about ten years from now—and when it will then amount to probably a million and a half or two millions of dollars. The project has already been approved by the Grand Lodge, and the initial steps have already been taken in what will probably become the greatest and most comprehensive Masonic charity in the world.”

Grand Master ORLADY’S address is freely quoted from, and justice is done to the beautiful illustrations in the Proceedings.

We presume that Anno Domini is getting in its work, but we were hardly prepared for the following account of our report:

“The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the veteran James M. Lamberton, and his review of the proceedings of Masonic jurisdictions are of the most instructive and interesting character.”

Number of Lodges, 330; initiated, not stated; total membership, 41,007, a gain of 2338. Receipts, including balance of \$232,835.86, were \$284,937.42; disbursements, \$230,607.13; balance, \$54,330.29.

Most Worshipful Brother W. FRANK PIERCE, of San Francisco, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother JOHN WICHER, of San Francisco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

COLORADO—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado began its Fiftieth Annual Communication in Masonic Temple, Denver, on Tuesday, September 20, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held, not counting the celebration of the Fiftieth

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Anniversary of the Grand Lodge, which was observed in the evening of the first day in the Central Presbyterian Church, by ceremonies of a public nature, which were of great interest. We wonder if there are no men singers in Colorado.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. MUSSER, Grand Master.

We are glad the Grand Master was able to report:

“that among the Craft in this Jurisdiction peace prevails, prosperity abounds, and, above all, a spirit that makes for good, for sound morals, for sturdy, rugged manhood radiates from our Masonic Lodges, aiding, strengthening and ennobling everything that comes in contact with it. Without design to do so, without show or ostentation, but because of its unfaltering adherence to the first principles of sound morality and right, its refusal to be led astray by popular clamor or to pose for popular favor, its quiet dignity and stately deportment, Masonry in this Jurisdiction has become a great institution, influential for the advancement of those moral qualities that make for the betterment of social and civic conditions.”

Our Brother seems to have shown wise discretion in his administration.

Brother FRED E. ANGOVE was the Grand Orator, and his oration and an interesting address by Past Grand Master TELLER are given us.

We note with regret that Colorado is one of the few Jurisdictions that use a cipher or “key.”

A full account is given of the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary, as noted above, including the very valuable historical paper by Grand Secretary JACOBSON, in which are given the portraits of the Past Grand Masters.

The report on Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF, whose portrait we were glad to

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see. Our Brother summarizes carefully, and writes many short sentences, and this year gives us less than usual of himself or his views.

Under Kentucky, after quoting from Brother CLARKE, who agrees with Brother GREENLEAF with regard to Lodges conducting correspondence with Lodges in other Jurisdictions directly, we were rather amused to have our Brother say:

“From present indications it looks as if Brother Clarke and ourselves had spent our strength for naught in this matter, the combined wisdom of the Grand Masters at the Philadelphia Conference having recommended the following for adoption by their respective Grand Lodges:

“ ‘All intra-Jurisdictional Communications should be sent through the officers of the Grand Masters.’ ”

Under Oklahoma, the following expresses our view:

“As both of these Grand Lodges [Indian Territory and Oklahoma] were already in Fraternal intercourse with this Grand Lodge, we do not deem it necessary to report any formal resolution of recognition, but to bid the new Grand Lodge welcome and Godspeed in its mission of brotherhood and the cause of humanity.”

We also agree, under Oregon:

“We can never be forced to admit that the Scottish Rite in any country, even where it is dominant, is in as lawful possession of the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry as our American Grand Lodges. The claim appeared to us so preposterous that we were up in arms at once. We believe it to be the duty of Brother Hodson and ourselves, and all writers of these reports for our respective Grand Lodges, to defend Craft Masonry against all comers. We have read for years the claims of Supreme Councils

and Grand Orients, and their efforts to place themselves upon an equality with the English or so-called York Rite. The inventors of degrees have claimed everything, arrogated to themselves a superiority, falsified history, invented facts, injected into Masonry a thousand and one degrees, and complacently informed us that the three degrees at the bottom of each bunch belonged to them, as rightfully as to anybody else."

and, under Vermont:

"Among his [Brother TILLOTSON's] Dispensations was one which we believe is open to censure, as lowering the dignity of the Fraternity. In our view no Masonic Lodge or Grand Lodge acts as escort to any other Order or organization on the face of the earth. We regret exceedingly that in an old, staid and conservative Grand Jurisdiction like Vermont, such a proceeding was possible, but here is the record:

"May 15. To Morning Sun Lodge No. 5.

"To attend a funeral as escort to Mount Calvary Commandery, the K. T. burial service being performed by said Commandery.'"

More than five pages are given up to Pennsylvania for 1909, the unanimous recommendations of the Philadelphia Conference being copied.

After speaking of that part of Grand Master ORLADY's address relating to the Masonic Home, our Brother says:

"Thus Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, the oldest Jurisdictions, though somewhat late in coming to the front on the Masonic Home proposition, bid fair to eclipse all others with the scope and magnitude of their respective undertakings. The Home, which has been maintained in Philadelphia for some years by a corporation, is also to pass

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under the control exclusively of the Grand Lodge, and is also to be maintained as one of its charities.”

Our Brother is a stout defender of the rights of the Lodge as opposed to the Grand Lodge and the Grand Master, and, after quoting a number of decisions of Grand Master ORLADY, adds:

“Were we disposed to be hypercritical we might use some of the above for adverse comments as to the rights of Lodges *versus* Grand Masters.”

Our “introductory” is said to be a “valuable compilation for reference,” the report being “an attractive feature.”

Number of Lodges, 118; initiated, 1008; total membership, 14,311, a gain of 765. Receipts, including balance of \$38,721.77, were \$53,289.97; disbursements, \$10,723.85; balance, \$42,566.12.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY, of Denver, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. JACOBSON, of Denver, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

CONNECTICUT—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Hartford, on Wednesday, January 19, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful WESTON G. GRANNISS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features form the frontispiece, gives an excellent account of his doings. An interesting event was the laying of the cornerstone of the new State Library and Supreme Court

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Building at Hartford, on May 1, 1909, of which a full account is given in these Proceedings. The historical address was delivered by one whom we had the pleasure of meeting during our college days in New Haven, Connecticut's Chief Justice and now Governor-elect, the Honorable SIMEON E. BALDWIN.

The doings of the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters are narrated; we quote:

"Mention should be made of the munificent hospitality extended to us by our hosts; but this can be done best by quoting in full the resolution offered by Brother Eggleston of Virginia, 'That the English language and Webster's Unabridged Dictionary are utterly incapable of expressing our thanks to the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and its assistants, and to the city of Philadelphia, for their splendid hospitality. They know perfectly well that we will never forget this occasion or them, as long as we live.'

"The cordial welcome and the many courtesies shown us on every hand; the regal banquets; the substantial friendships; the thoughtful and inspiring addresses; the beautiful souvenirs, in the way of handsomely illustrated booklets; and, finally, the report of the proceedings in full, tastefully bound; all contribute to make this occasion an eventful one and unforgettable."

His recommendations, that the "form of renunciation," used in Pennsylvania, be adopted; that cards should be issued by the Grand Secretary certifying to the regularity of the Lodge and of the standing of the Brother, in order to meet the demand for some documentary evidence of good standing before a strange Brother may be examined; and that more details be given in the application for membership as to residence and occupation, were acted upon favorably.

In his report, Grand Secretary HAVENS gives attention

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to the subject of the Grand Lodge Library, mentioning that "Pennsylvania has a library of many hundred volumes, and connected therewith, a marvelously interesting, instructive and valuable museum of historical interest." He reports that he received from "Julius S. A. Sachse, custodian of the Library of Pennsylvania, a nicely bound volume of 'Freemasonry in Pennsylvania'"; "Also from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania the Proceedings of 'A Conference of Grand Masters held in Philadelphia' and mentioned by Most Worshipful Grand Master in his address."

The Special Committee on Legislation reported that, largely through the efforts of two Past Grand Masters, a law has been enacted, making it a misdemeanor to impose in any way upon the Masonic Craft, or upon any other of the legitimate fraternal Societies or Orders, so that the wearing of a button or other insignia, the use of anything purporting to be the ritual, or making any demonstration with intent to deceive, is punishable.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Committee, which is the Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother FRANK W. HAVENS, whose portrait is very fittingly placed before his excellent paper, his second. Our Brother does not approve of having the dues of a Brother remitted after, say, thirty years of membership. We note that as in Pennsylvania, so in Connecticut, the Senior Warden "must assume the responsibilities thrust upon him and take the activities up where the deceased Master dropped them."

Under Illinois, referring to Grand Master BELL's impressions of the Temple in Philadelphia, Brother HAVENS says:

"Touching the question of a Grand Lodge Home, he was awakened to the desirability of such a headquarters by his visit to Philadelphia, and well he might have been. One has but to go about the Temple there to become not only con-

vinced but enthusiastic on the subject. Where one feels the added dignity, manifest prominence and character shown forth in such a building and such appointments, he feels that he has had an uplift and the Order takes on another and grander meaning."

Under Indiana, referring to a National or Supreme Grand Lodge, our Brother says, and we agree:

"It seems to us that this can never be without making very decided innovations. Nor would it be as effective and useful as it sometimes seems. That a council meeting once in four or five years, which should have only advisory powers, might be useful and much good gained therefrom, is possible. To establish a 'higher power' to which the Grand Lodges or Grand Jurisdictions should be compelled to accord, would be to disrupt and to remove from Masonry those very things which differentiate it from all other of the modern institutions."

We agree, under New Jersey:

"For our part we fail to see why all Jurisdictions should not insist upon the perpetuity of rejections. One who has made application to a regular Lodge and the brethren have rejected it, he stands much as a piece of real estate which has 'a cloud upon its title' and it seems as though there must be material enough to make all Masons needed, without resorting to those who have been rejected where they were best known. We fail to see the force of the argument that because sometimes in a very small percentage of cases injustice may be done that therefore the whole bulk of rejected material should be open to acceptance without regard to spot or blemish."

Pennsylvania does not find any place in our Brother's report. Why, we should be glad to know.

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Number of Lodges, 110; initiated, 1156; total membership, 22,586, a gain of 643. Receipts, including balance of \$10,014.75, were \$27,418.57; disbursements, \$18,109.70; balance, \$9,308.87.

Most Worshipful Brother FREDERICK A. VERPLANCK, of South Manchester, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother FRANK W. HAVENS, of Hartford, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

CUBA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba held Quarterly Communications as follows: June 27, September 26, and December 26, A.D. 1909, and the Annual in two sessions, March 27 and April 3, A.D. 1910.

Most Worshipful Brother CALIXTO FAJARDO, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master and the introduction of the report on Correspondence are given in English, as well as, of course, in Spanish. The year has had its difficulties and discouragements, but the Grand Lodge has pursued its way successfully. A library is to be formed in the property which belongs to the Grand Lodge, two views of which are given; we have also a picture showing the officers of the Grand Lodge on December 5, 1909, when the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Grand Lodge was duly celebrated.

Our Brethren have not forgotten Masonic teachings; as witness this from the Grand Master's address:

“Notwithstanding the serious economical obligations weighing upon the Grand Lodge Treasury, we have contributed to help the public calamities that befell to the inhabitants of important districts of this country in the month of October past. The Grand Master ordered that \$100 be sent to the Relief Committee and many Lodges followed this

move. Notwithstanding that they had just raised \$585.83 for the calamities of Sicily, in Italy, they contributed with \$348.22 for the victims of the Vuelta Abajo and Oriente cyclones, sum that was delivered in the hands of the President of the Republic, Bro. Hon. JOSÉ MIGUEL GÓMEZ.

“The Grand Lodge also sent 100 blankets to the Correctional Asylum at Guanajay, to be used by the boys gathered there.”

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother FRANCISCO DE P. RODRIGUEZ, and from his introduction we quote:

“In New Hampshire a matter is being studied, which is needed in Cuba too, such is the protection of the word *Masonic*. In the Legislature of that State a bill has been introduced accepting the word *Masonic* as the property of the regular Grand Lodge of the State, being a misdemeanor the use of such a word by any other association. We have an idea that such a law exists already in Pennsylvania. Such a law will be as convenient to Cuba as to any other Grand Lodge since it will help us from any person who, by inscribing in the records of our Provincial local Governments the title of any *soi-dissant* Masonic Society will think his as good a right as that of regular Masons, deceiving in that way many candid people. The Grand Lodge of Cuba ought to ask the Government to respect and protect such a name, as is the duty of any honest and law abiding governments to help such a pretension as a mean to avoid deceits and frauds.

“During the days 1st, 2d and 3d of June of the past year a solemn reunion was held in the city of Philadelphia, of all the Grand Masters of all the Grand Lodges to the east of the Mississippi river. After much discussion (details to be found under PENNSYLVANIA) and after many truths were uttered it was agreed that each Grand Master present will recommend to their respective Grand Lodge *eleven* proposi-

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tions or limits. But what satisfies and elates we Cubans is that out of those eleven propositions *seven* are already laws under our Grand Lodge, one more is almost observed (we require six months previous residence of candidates for initiation and they desire one year). Among the recommended propositions is to be found the *renunciation* to the obligation before a clandestine lodge, the matter being considered a question of conscience rather than a point of law. Should there be any among us not satisfied with the facts it will be because no Masonic heart beats in his breast.”

We are not aware of such a law in Pennsylvania, as our Brother speaks of. In the heading of his review of Pennsylvania for 1909, which is, unfortunately for us, in Spanish, we note that our Brother has corrected the mistake in the date of the organization of our Grand Lodge as an independent body.

Number of Lodges, 63; initiated, 356; total membership, 2630.

Most Worshipful Brother AURELIO MIRANDA, of Havana, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CARLOS G. CHARLES, of Havana, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

DELAWARE—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, of Delaware, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Fourth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, on Wednesday, October 6, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY I. BEERS, Jr., Grand Master.

Amongst the visitors present was one from Pennsylvania, our good Brother JOHN D. GOFF, who is put down as a Doctor in Divinity, and a Grand Master. However, Grand Master ORLADY telegraphed his regrets as follows:

“Am holding court; consequently cannot be with you, which I regret: I send cordial greetings to you and the Brethren, with the wish for your future usefulness and prosperity.”

The address of the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features make up the frontispiece, is an interesting paper.

Under “Visitations—Sister Jurisdictions,” our Brother says:

“It has been my pleasure to pay a visit to our nearby sister Jurisdictions, and bear to them your most cordial and fraternal greetings.

“On St. John’s Day, December 28th, 1908, accompanied by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Mode, the R. W. Grand Secretary, Bro. Harrison, and Past Grand Master Day, I paid a visit to the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, in Annual Communication.

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“October 19th, 1908, accompanied by Past Grand Master Day, I was present at the sesqui-centennial celebration of Lodge No. 2, the oldest Lodge of our mother Jurisdiction, Pennsylvania. The preceding evening the Lodge had attended divine services in Old Christ’s Church, and the night of our attendance was the conclusion of the celebration. We were entertained (after attending a communication of the Lodge), at a banquet, where we had the pleasure of listening to the addresses of several of the distinguished Masons of Philadelphia.

“Upon all occasions our reception has been most cordial,

and the visits form a part of the many pleasant memories of the year."

Under "Miscellaneous," we quote:

"As authorized by the Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, suitable aprons have been procured for the Grand Officers. The apron in use during the past two years, by the Grand Master, at the request of the Librarian of the Temple in Philadelphia, was presented to the museum adjoining the library, where it may be seen displayed with a large and interesting collection of aprons from many foreign Jurisdictions."

Relating to the Conference of Grand Masters, he writes:

"We were assembled each morning from two to three hours in conference, the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, acting as chairman, during which time many questions were submitted and the methods pursued by the different Jurisdictions ascertained, and where possible, an agreement was reached to make certain recommendations to our respective Grand Lodges.

"In the invitation extended our host stated, 'that, after we had once been located, we would not be allowed to be lonesome, during our sojourn in the city,' a promise which was kept to the letter by the Grand Master and an able staff of entertainers, who made the occasion a memorable one from the social side, as well as from an effort to bring about a more uniform practice in administering the affairs of the Jurisdictions.

"After the close of the conference on the first day, a reception and dinner was tendered to the visiting Grand Masters, and in the evening we were present at the School of Instruction, and witnessed the exemplification of the Master Mason's degree, as conferred by the Lodges of Pennsylvania.

“The following afternoon we were given an automobile trip, covering about forty miles, seeing the parks and drives about the city, and in the evening, were formally presented to the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, in Quarterly Communication.

“Before proceeding further, I desire to correct a rumor which was current at the time of this conference, to the effect, that it was an attempt to organize a General or Supreme Grand Lodge, in authority over the Jurisdictions of the United States. This was absolutely without foundation, and indeed, when the subject of effecting a permanent organization of Grand Masters, without any vote being taken upon the question, it was the opinion of the majority present, that it would be unwise to effect such an organization, leaving the matter open for any Grand Master desiring to call such a conference, to do it *de novo*.”

He reports the unanimous recommendations of the Conference, which he advised should be adopted.

He also says:

“A stenographer was present and made a complete record of the transactions, which were afterwards edited, printed and bound in book form, and each of the Grand Masters and each Jurisdiction presented with a copy, forming a very interesting souvenir of the occasion.”

As the Grand Lodge was opened in “ample form,” we are at a loss to understand why it was closed in “due and ample form.”

There is a portrait of the late venerable Grand Tyler, Brother YATES, in which is displayed a very large un-Masonic emblem.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Reverend Brother LEWIS H. JACKSON, Grand Chaplain, whose work

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is up to his high standard. Under Idaho, commenting upon the fact that the Grand Lodge, in a procession was escorted (to the site where a cornerstone was to be laid) by the Knights Templar, our Brother well says:

“ We have frequently criticised such escorts to Grand Lodges of Symbolic Masonry, as incongruous and inconsistent as appendages to bodies of Master Masons, and would be glad to see the custom disappear. Our reasons are that Master Masons represent builders and men of peace, plain and unostentatious in their bearing, while Knights Templar represent soldiers and men of war, full of pomp and pageantry. They are entirely different in character, and there seems to be no consistency in their association in public parades or architectural functions.”

We are surprised to see our Brother quotes twice inaccurately the provision as to a “ perfect youth,” as though the “ art,” which might render him incapable of learning, was that of “ serving his Master’s Lord,” instead of the art of Masonry.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well considered. From Grand Master ORLADY’S “ able and interesting address,” a number of extracts are made, several of an historical character, Brother JACKSON saying:

“ These are matters of deep interest to us in Delaware, because we are the lineal descendants, Masonically, of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the Lodges which organized the Grand Lodge of Delaware, having been chartered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and were for long years under its jurisdictional care.”

Brother JACKSON also says:

“ A fine collection of ‘ illustrations of the places of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the past century-

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and-a-half.' Also 'interior views in the Masonic Temple, Broad and Filbert streets, Philadelphia.'

"This writer's recollection extends back to the 'place of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, New Masonic Hall, 1855-1873, Chestnut street, between Seventh and Eighth.'

"The 'illustrations' are very beautiful and valuable as souvenirs of the past. The present Temple is the grandest in this Western World, at least."

Our report ("of the usual interesting and instructive character, though curtailed to about one-half of what he usually gives on account of publishing the 'illustrations'") is noted, and the statement of our Brother, we objected to, that WASHINGTON laid the cornerstone of the National Capital as Grand Master of Virginia, he explains was an inadvertence—

"as we all know it to be a matter of history that it was done by Bro. George Washington, President of the United States, 'as Acting Grand Master of Maryland.'"

Number of Lodges, 22; initiated, 126; total Master Masons, 3049, a gain of 61. Receipts, including balance of \$1,990.02, were \$3,842.99; disbursements, \$1,828.51; balance, \$2,014.48.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD B. MODE, of Wilmington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother VIRGINIUS V. HARRISON, of Wilmington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1909.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia held its First Stated Communication in the new Masonic Temple, in the City of Washington, on Saturday evening, March 13, A.D. 1909, for the exemplification of the degrees.

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Most Worshipful Brother HENRY K. SIMPSON, Grand Master.

The Second Communication was held May 12, and at the Third, on September 25, friendly relations were established with the International Bureau for Masonic Inter-course, founded by the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, and an annual contribution of \$20 was authorized. At a Special Communication, on November 20, by an unanimous vote the Grand Lodge assumed the control of the new Masonic Temple property, after a very interesting and full discussion of the matter. This action was most creditable to the Grand Lodge.

At the Annual Communication, on December 15, the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece (we might say, in our copy, the frontispieces), and whom we met at the Baltimore Conference, delivered a comprehensive and interesting address. He reports fully his actions with regard to his issuing an edict against a person who was given the degrees in the District, who had been twice rejected in Pennsylvania, and against whom an edict was issued by the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, as stated in Grand Master ORLADY's valedictory address. He reported that, being unable to attend the Philadelphia Conference, he had requested the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE C. OBER, to represent him, and asked that the Brother's report have consideration. From that report we quote:

"At your request, and upon receipt of a special invitation from Bro. Orlady, I presented myself at the designated place, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on the morning of June 1, 1909, and after having satisfied the committee as to my membership in the craft, was admitted, through tiled doors, to the magnificent Egyptian Room, in the aforesaid temple, where the convention was held. A most courteous, fraternal welcome, a kindly introduction to the distinguished Masons there assembled, and an assignment to the place re-

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served for the representative of the District of Columbia, completed for me the preliminaries of an important and most delightful convention."

and also:

"The convention was most ably and gracefully presided over by R. W. Bro. George B. Orlady.

"In order to prevent any possible misconstruction of his motive in calling this convention, the Grand Master of Pennsylvania specifically stated that neither he nor the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania had had any thought or desire for the formation of a General Grand Lodge. This sentiment was very heartily indorsed by the brethren present.

"If I felt at liberty to take up your time it would afford me much pleasure to describe in detail my conception of the dignity, honor, importance and value of this convention and its possible influence upon the craft; I would enjoy describing the many courtesies extended to the guests of the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and my appreciation of the honor of having had, at your request, an opportunity of participating in a convention of Masons that was characterized by such high-toned dignity, ability and fraternal comity.

"It was clearly and distinctly understood that the convention had no legislative powers, that its conclusions were not binding upon any jurisdiction, being merely recommendatory in character, and that the convention had been called only for the purpose of discussing Masonic propositions and questions of mutual interest to the several jurisdictions represented. It seems to me of more than passing interest to note the fact that the Grand Master of Pennsylvania made the statement that the area represented by those who had accepted his invitation was 881,000 square miles; that the conference authoritatively spoke for 8,039 Lodges with a membership of 915,000. Suffice it to say, the deliberations of the convention and the social courtesies thereof were fully in keeping

with the dignity of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and must, in my judgment, of necessity redound to the credit of that great commonwealth and of everyone who had the honor to participate in so memorable an event. Very many questions of purely local interest were broached by the brethren and discussed with a freedom and amiability not possible in a body that does not have for one of its chief characteristics a true fraternal comity. I desire to mention the fact that all questions upon which the convention could not reach a unanimous conclusion were courteously withdrawn."

The recommendations, with the exception of the seventh, Brother OBER recommended for adoption, and the Committee on Jurisprudence and the Grand Lodge agreed with him except as to the eighth. Under the seventh recommendation, in justice to Brother OBER, we also quote:

" '7. A petitioner should have resided within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge for one year, that is, have had a legal residence there for one year.'

"In reference to this recommendation, I desire to state that the definition of the term 'legal residence,' as understood by the convention, was purely and simply 'where a man votes.' Your representative, in accordance with the practice of this jurisdiction, approved the requirement of one year's residence, but to the very best of his ability opposed the distinction made between actual residence for Masonic purposes and legal residence, giving as his reason for his opposition to the definition's baneful influence the well known arguments of representatives of this Grand Jurisdiction and the important fact and factor that there is no power of franchise in the District of Columbia. I am free to confess my surprise at finding in the list of unanimously adopted recommendations the one to which reference is now being made, as my understanding was that the words 'have had a legal

residence there for one year,' so objectionable to the District of Columbia, were to be omitted. Since, however, the printed report of the convention lists recommendation No. 7 among the recommendations unanimously adopted by the convention, I can but respectfully submit that I not only did not vote in favor of its adoption, but did oppose its adoption with considerable vigor, at the same time attempting to convey to the convention, with as much bluntness as I could employ without violating the laws of hospitality, politeness and parliamentary usage, the fact that the District of Columbia, so far as its Masonry is concerned, has absolutely no regard for or interest in a man's voting privilege or his voting place, and would continue its present practice of regarding one year's actual residence in the District of Columbia as sufficient warranty for a man's admission to the degrees of Masonry in this jurisdiction, provided he comes to us 'free-born, sound in mind, and under the tongue of good report.'

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"The proceedings of the convention have been published by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and a copy thereof furnished to you, the Grand Secretary of this jurisdiction and myself. On the whole I deem the report as published a very creditable review of the proceedings, although, if one wished to be captious, many little corrections might justly be made."

We think Brother OBER has confused two subjects, as the stenographic report shows that he made but one remark when this particular matter was under consideration, while when the next topic was under consideration he spoke a number of times and at length as to the position of his Grand Lodge. The proceedings were reported by a Brother who is an expert stenographer, and this is the first adverse comment that has come to our attention.

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The Committee on Jurisprudence made a well-prepared report against granting to the Grand Master discretionary power to permit the interment with Masonic honors of the remains of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts, which the Grand Lodge approved.

Plans are being made for the celebration of the Grand Lodge's Centennial, February 18-20, 1911.

At the St. John's Day Communication, December 27, a replica of the famous Houdin bust of Commodore JOHN PAUL JONES was presented to the Grand Lodge by Past Grand Master BAIRD.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. BAIRD, his tenth; it abounds in interest.

Under California, our Brother says (but why so many of his statements are printed in brackets we have not been able to fathom—we trust our Admiral Brother will note our word):

“ [It is not generally known that there are many kinds of lodges and consistories in the Philippines of such questionable origin and so loose in their practices that York rite Masons can not recognize them. They probably descended from the Spanish Orient, and had the petitioner, in this case, been accepted, it might have been a claim for a precedent.] ”

We are not left in doubt as to his opinion of the Philippines (“ this undesirable, expensive, and contagious colony ”).

We see, under Illinois, that Brother BAIRD has misunderstood the action of that Grand Lodge in the Valle de Mexico matter. It was the *majority* report which was signed by Brothers ROBBINS, SCOTT, CRAWFORD, and WRIGHT, and which was adopted by a majority which we were informed was “overwhelming.” We quote Brother BAIRD (*italics ours*):

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“A few years ago Bro. Robbins sent us a report from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, in which it was admitted and fully set forth that Valle de Mexico was formed exactly as this minority report stated. But this was after our Grand Lodge had given recognition to Valle de Mexico. It is expedient if not right to give recognition to that Grand Lodge, *but it is making a dangerous precedent.*”

Under Kansas, our Brother says:

“We taboo all so-called Grand Lodges which are not sovereign, whether they are Latin or not.”

Our dear Brother will doubtless bring in a report recommending the withdrawal of recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, now that it has surrendered its sovereignty.

Under Maryland, he notes that Brother SCHULTZ “Under the caption of ‘Pennsylvania’ scolds at Bro. LAMBERTON for saying that ‘it would seem as if, when such a revision [of the constitution] was made, it might have been as well to adopt a title or style for the Grand Lodge.’”

Under Montana, we are in doubt whether to accent “that” or “saloon,” in the following:

“There is nothing more disgusting than to see a bar-keeper sporting a Masonic jewel, and it is generally enough to keep good Masons away from that saloon.”

We are interested to read under New Jersey (but why in brackets we do not know):

“[It may not be out of place to say here that the Grand Lodge of France is subordinate to the Supreme Council of France and is not a sovereign body.]”

and, under South Carolina:

“We visited the Sovereign Grand Commander of the A. A. S. R. in his office, in Paris, this summer, which is in

the same building with the Grand Lodge of France, and the two bodies seem to be one and the same thing. We were permitted to look through several lodge rooms (of the Grand Lodge), and though we looked for and inquired for *the Great Light*, we did not find it. It was not there. They do not use it."

Prohibition is one of several topics treated of in our Brother's "Conclusion."

A little over a page suffices for a summary of Pennsylvania for 1908. He commends "an ideal report" of the Committee on Appeals:

"There is quite enough information in the report for the lay member, but not enough for the enemy to make use of. The report shows that misdeeds and unmasonic conduct are summarily dealt with."

As Brother BAIRD uses three exclamation marks, we suppose the following must be very amusing:

"A resolution was offered to amend an article in the Ahimon [sic] Rezon. (!!!) "

Several short quotations are made from Grand Master ORLADY's address and decision. We quote:

"A section of the report is devoted to handsome illustrations of the several meeting places of the Grand Lodge during the past century and a half. The pictures are highly artistic as well as being of historic interest. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has from its earliest date been proverbial for its efforts to make and preserve records."

It is kindly said that this writer has "reviewed the reports of sixty-one Grand Lodges with his usual care."

Number of Lodges not stated, about 28; initiated, 463; total membership, 8948, a gain of 208. Receipts, including

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balance of \$9,818.71, were \$29,402.97; disbursements, \$18,238.68; balance, \$11,164.29.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE C. OBER, of Washington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ARVINE W. JOHNSTON, of Washington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ENGLAND—1910.

THE Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England held a Quarterly Communication in Freemasons Hall, London, on Wednesday, March 2, the Annual Grand Festival on Wednesday, April 27, an Especial Grand Lodge on Thursday, May 19, and a Quarterly Communication on Wednesday, June 1, A.D. 1910; doubtless the other usual Communications were held, but the proceedings have not reached us.

The Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother the Right Honorable LORD AMPHILL, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., was on the throne at all these Communications. At the March Quarterly, a donation of \$2,500 was voted from the Fund of Benevolence as a contribution to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of distress caused by the floods in Paris.

On motion of the Grand Registrar, Brother JOHN STRACHAN, K.C., the new Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was recognized, as was the Grand Orient of the Republic of Paraguay. We wish our dear Brother would justify his statement that recognition had been accorded to the latter "by a great number of grand Bodies in America."

The Especial Grand Lodge, which was held the day before the funeral of King EDWARD VII, was for the purpose of adopting addresses to the King and to the Queen Mother with regard to the death of our Brother the late King, and to pass a resolution assuring the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the fraternal sympathy of the Craft in the loss he had sustained by reason of his Royal Brother's death.

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At the June Quarterly, among the presentations to the Library acknowledged were, from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, Vol. 2 and Proceedings of G. Lodge of Pennsylvania 3 vols."

The Grand Registrar having been compelled to resign his office by reason of failing health, the Grand Lodge expressed its regret, and, to mark appreciation of his services and the fact that this year he is celebrating his golden wedding, presented him an honorarium of five thousand dollars, the same to be used for the benefit of the Brother and his wife in such way as a selected Committee of three should decide to be best.

The Pro Grand Master made the following announcement:

"Brethren, may I make an announcement which may at first sight appear personal, but which is really official. I do not think it is generally known that I was honoured by the gracious commands of His Majesty to attend the funeral of His late Majesty King Edward VII., at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, in order to represent the Craft in my official capacity as Pro Grand Master. I had a letter from Earl Marshal, the Duke of Norfolk, telling me this was His Majesty's express wish, and that it was hoped it would be a gratification to the Craft to know that they were officially represented. Perhaps, I may also remind you, that those who were honoured with invitations to St. George's Chapel, Windsor, where the accommodation was extremely limited, were either the intimate personal friends of His late Majesty, or else those who had been privileged to serve him in some close personal capacity. I feel it my duty to announce this, in order that it may be known among the Craft that His Majesty King George V. in his sorrow and tribulation, and, although he is not a Freemason, was not unmindful of the connection of his august father with the Craft."

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Most Worshipful Brother His Royal Highness the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, of London, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother SIR EDWARD LETCHWORTH, F.S.A., of London, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

GEORGIA—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Georgia began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication in the City Auditorium, in the City of Macon, on Tuesday, October 26, A.D. 1909, and closed two days later, seven sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS H. JEFFRIES, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is well characterized by a committee as “able, replete with elegant diction and adorned with beautiful gems of poetry” (our Iowa Brethren will note no less than ten of these gems).

Of Masonry, our Brother says:

“Its antecedents are ancient and honourable; its precepts wise and salutary; its tenets pure and catholic. Its mission is that of bearing light to mankind; to teach the loftiest moral virtues and incorporate them in the lives of men, and make them the measure of their actions. Its dogma is faith in God and love for fellow men. It is the author of no creed, and adherent of no sect, the preacher of no religion save the religion of humanity. It denies to no man the freedom of conscience, the liberty to think for himself, the privilege to form his own conclusions. Upon its royal seat, Reason sits enthroned. Upon its sacred altars rests the holy word of God. Masonry believes that God is a Paternal Being, the Father of Mankind. Masonry teaches that all

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men are the children of God and that the souls of men are the emanations from His Spirit. Masonry ascribes to God the perfection of every virtue. It demands of the child of God that idealism which is attained by the selecting and assembling in one individual all the beauties and perfections which are to be derived from the Divine Kinship."

The Grand Master pays loving tributes to those Brethren who have aided him during the year. We feel sure our Brethren will read with interest his tribute to our dear Brother BANKS, the Deputy Grand Master of Georgia, who was his representative at the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters:

"Your Deputy Grand Master has stood ever ready to assist in the work. No time too precious, no work too arduous, no distance too great for him, when duty called him.

"At many public functions, in many sections of the State, has he upheld the dignity and honor of the Grand Lodge, and once, in a distant State, as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, in a conference of the Grand Masters of twenty-three Eastern States, he illustrated the force and intelligence of the Masonry of Georgia. In that illustrious company of Grand Masters he won his way to highest honors and most distinguished consideration.

"His intelligence won him admiration, his genial loving disposition won him the affections of that august body, the truth of which is evidenced by the cheering words of praise which have come to me. In zeal and loyalty and wisdom, no Grand Master ever had more able Deputy."

Brother BANKS submitted an excellently summarized account of the Philadelphia Conference and the subjects considered.

We are glad to see the pleasantly familiar features of Brother BANKS, the incoming Grand Master, though how he

came to add to his signature as Grand Master for 1909-10, "32°," we are at a loss to understand. The portrait is given of the retiring Grand Master, who declined a third term. A proposition not to pay mileage and per diem to any Master or Past Master, except to the accredited representatives of the Lodges, and officers of the Grand Lodge, which, being submitted to the Lodges, had been approved by a vote of 308 Lodges against 186, was defeated by a vote of 362 Brethren against 393. The pay-roll at the preceding session amounted to \$18,894.65, said to be the "high water mark."

San Salvador was indefinitely postponed, while the generous offer of a Brother living at Tilsit, Germany, to act as the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Georgia before a union of eight German Grand Lodges, he being willing to charge no salary, but requiring that expenses incident to the office be paid, was respectfully declined!

The property of the Grand Lodge in Macon was sold, and a site for a new building bought.

At the close of the Communication, an unusual incident occurred. After Grand Master BANKS had thanked the Grand Lodge for the high honor conferred, and "outlined the policy of his administration and delivered a strong address on the duties of a Mason," the record continues:

"Brother T. J. LUMPKIN, an honored Confederate veteran, loyal and true, to his God, his country and his fellowman, in a voice full of love, requested that all Confederate veterans arise and salute Comrade HENRY BANKS, Grand Master.

"In a moment every old veteran was on his feet and as they stood erect and at attention, as they had oft done in the sixties, with eyes sparkling with the fire of old, and saluted their Comrade and Grand Master, moisture filled the eyes of many who looked on the scene.

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“An invitation was then extended to the sons of Confederate veterans to also arise and salute the Grand Master. This invitation was gladly accepted by the sons, and the salute extended.

“Brother T. J. CARLING addressed the Grand Master, and said there was still another class of men and Masons present, that were neither Confederate veterans nor sons of veterans; those men who came from north of the Mason and Dixon line, who would also like to salute the Grand Master. That he, himself, was from New York State; for over thirty-seven years he had lived in the South; the South was his home; he married a Southern woman from South Carolina—the home of secession; what I am today the credit is due this Southern woman. And today I am as true and loyal a Southerner as any man born south of the Mason and Dixon line.

“Brother CARLING, after paying a glowing tribute to the South, and Southern womanhood, requested those present who came from beyond the Mason and Dixon line to rise and salute the Grand Master. Brothers ALFRED JESSOP and CARLING being the only two present, gracefully saluted.

“Brother CARLING’S remarks were greeted with hearty applause.

“Never before in the history of the Grand Lodge was the true spirit of brotherly love more beautifully manifested than by this closing incident.”

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother A. Q. MOODY, his ninth. He has woven together in an interesting fashion interesting excerpts, rarely giving comments of his own.

Under Kentucky, we quote:

“The Constitution has made an improvement on the Ancient Land Marks by declaring that a candidate for the degrees must be a *white* man freeborn, etc.

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“ And yet they tell us these ‘ Land marks ’ are as immutable as the laws of the Medes and Persians, and cannot be changed in any particular.”

We may remind our Brother that England has changed “ free *born* ” to “ free *man*.”

We are amused to note, under Michigan, that Brother MOODY took it seriously when the types made Brother WIN-SOR say that he submitted his *sixty-sixth* annual report.

Under Mississippi, we quote:

“ Of Grand Master Meyerhardt, he [Brother HOWARD] says: ‘ Aveatque Voile, Brother Max! Thy seven years of marching through Georgia has only been equaled by one: General Sherman in the sixties.’ The latin in the paragraph we understand, but the meaning in the rest of it is beyond the dull comprehension of this writer.”

At first reading, we confess we did *not* understand the Latin in the paragraph, but then we conjectured that what was intended was “ Ave atque vale,” then we understood.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is well summarized. Grand Master ORLADY “ made a cheering report.” Brother MOODY kindly says:

“ Upon the whole, the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania form a very attractive volume. Besides being printed in large, clear type, it contains a great number of splendid engravings of former places of meeting of the Grand Lodge and showing constituent parts of the present magnificent Temple.”

Our “ excellent report ” is noted.

Number of Lodges, including 31 new ones, 579; total membership, 32,708, a gain of 2652. Receipts, including balance of \$37,104.92, were \$75,516.86; disbursements, \$35,413.53, balance, \$40,103.33.

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Most Worshipful Brother HENRY BANKS, of LaGrange, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. WOLIHIN, of Macon, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

IDAHO—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho began its Forty-second Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, at Boise, on Tuesday, September 14, A.D. 1909, and closed two days later, six sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM R. HAMILTON, Grand Master.

The Grand Master's address shows a wise and cautious administrator. We note the following in the address:

“During the past year much has been said regarding the making of a Mason at sight of the Chief Executive of the Nation. As Grand Master, I offer no criticism of my contemporary of another Jurisdiction. Much more learned writers than I have argued this case, for and against, but this I do say: Whilst Ohio has made Masons at sight, Idaho has not been left so far in the rear. My attention has been called to a case in which, so I am informed, only some ten days elapsed between the time of conferring the Fellow Craft Degree and becoming a Shriner. In the slang of the day, this is ‘going some.’ ”

We see the portrait of the new Grand Master, which properly forms the frontispiece of the Proceedings which contain the record of his election and installation, displays an un-Masonic badge.

In the Grand Secretary's report, we find the following among the donations to the Grand Lodge Library:

“Free-Masonry in Pennsylvania, 1730–1907. Vol. 1. 477 pages. Comprising the history of Lodge No. 2, F. & A. M., of Philadelphia, from 1757 to 1786, very interesting and entertaining, showing what our Masonic brethren in those days did, the assessments made, dues paid and charities disbursed during the early history of Free-Masonry in Pennsylvania. The remaining years from 1786 to 1907, will be published in Vol. II and will prove very valuable to the Masonic student as well as the Novice, especially so in the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania.

“Proceedings of a Conference of Past Grand Masters [sic] of Masons, in the Jurisdiction of the United States, east of the Mississippi river, a very interesting and instructive book.”

We note that twice permission was asked *from the Grand Lodge* on behalf of a Subordinate Lodge to open a Lodge for the purpose of raising a candidate, and was granted. Why this should be done, we do not know. We supposed that the Master of a Lodge possessed the right to summon his Lodge, whenever it pleased him so to do. If sufficient time had not elapsed since the Brother was crafted, we supposed the right to grant a dispensation to raise him was vested *in the Grand Master* and not in the Grand Lodge. Perhaps Brother KNEPPER will explain.

The Grand Master reports that “as yet the work is a failure”; and this in spite of the “*keys*”!

The Grand Lodge approved the recommendation that the Grand Master appoint a representative from the Grand Lodge to a National Grand Lodge, but is “not in favor of this Grand Lodge surrendering its independence to a National Grand Lodge.”

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother GEORGE E. KNEPPER, his eighth. Our Brother expresses his views frankly.

Under Alabama, we quote:

"Sixty-six decisions were recorded. The number and the quality of the questions asked argues a low grade of lodge officials. When, presumably, a Master of a lodge asks the Grand Master to rule on the sectarianism contained in the beautiful hymn, 'Nearer My God to Thee,' he has reached the limit of stupidity."

We think Brother KNEPPER, who expresses the opinion, "the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico is rapidly gaining ground as a *sovereign body*" (italics ours), may change his views when he reads of its recent proceedings.

The following, under Oregon, may cause some of our Brethren to smile:

"We admire our brother's honesty. He [Brother HODSON] believes that advocates of the cipher are perjurers just as firmly as we know we are not. That the cipher has come to stay is not questioned. It will be but a short time until we all think alike on this question."

The cipher would not stay *very* long in Pennsylvania, we venture to think.

Our Brother is all right in the following, under Ohio:

"Personally we would favor a Poet Laureate as we felt reasonably sure that it would improve the large quantity of Masonic doggerel too often called poetry, with which the fraternity is now afflicted."

Pennsylvania for 1908 is well reviewed. We quote:

"The volume of proceedings of this Grand Jurisdiction is entitled to special mention. The frontispiece contains the usual fine cut of the Temple and a little farther along a splendid picture of Grand Master George B. Orlady. But this and the splendid press work on the volume are ordinary

occurrences. About the middle of the volume is a fine steel engraving of Grand Master Samuel Badger, 1829-1830. But the extraordinary attraction of the volume lies in the illustrations of the places of meeting of this Grand Lodge for the past hundred and fifty years, including both the exterior and interior views. There are twenty-four in number and show how the Grand Lodge gradually evolved from its humble meeting places in the extreme eastern part of Philadelphia in the early years of the eighteenth century to its present magnificent home. To follow these pictures is an interesting study. The pictures are printed in colors and are in themselves genuine works of art.

"These illustrations were prepared under the direction of the Committee on Library and their description covers five pages.

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"The final picture of this remarkable series is a view of the Grand Banquet Hall as set and decorated for the banquet given by the Grand Lodge upon the occasion of the sesquicentennial celebration of the initiation of George Washington, November fifth, 1902."

Grand Master ORLADY's address "was long but very readable," and our report is kindly spoken of.

Number of Lodges, including 2 under dispensation, 44; initiated, 185; total membership, 2741, a gain of 146. Receipts, including balance of \$5,419.55, were \$24,687.18; disbursements, \$16,683.59; balance, \$8,003.59.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE F. GAGON, of Blackfoot, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THEOPHILUS W. RANDALL, of Boise, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ILLINOIS—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois began its Seventy-first Annual Communication at Medinah Temple, in the City of Chicago, on Tuesday, October 11, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT B. ASHLEY, Grand Master.

The report of the Grand Master is a business-like paper, reporting clearly his labors without undue verbiage. His appeal for the sufferers by the Cherry Mine disaster in Bureau County, Illinois, was generously answered, over \$6,500 being contributed. On his recommendation, a committee was appointed to consider what should be done regarding the present limitation in the amount of property (\$30,000) a Lodge may hold. He called attention to an error in the Proceedings of last year, by which it appeared that the National Grand Lodge of Egypt had been recognized; the matter was referred to the Committee on Correspondence, who this year reported against such recognition, and their report was adopted.

The Illinois Masonic Homes, the one at Sullivan for older persons, and the other, for children, temporarily at Chicago but soon to be in new quarters at La Grange, are continuing their excellent work. A full account is given of the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange.

Owing to financial obligations already incurred, the matter of a "Home for the Grand Lodge" was deferred for the present. For the information of our Pennsylvania Brethren, we quote a special report of the Committee on Correspondence on the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico:

"Had this Grand Lodge [*i.e.*, Illinois] at its last session recognized the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico there would

now be a serious complication. Official notice is at hand that in consequence of dissatisfaction over the election of the 'Gran Maestro' (grand master) eight of the thirty-two lodges composing that body have seceded. They have set up a new grand lodge of their own and call it also 'Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.' Hence, there are two bodies bearing the same name and assuming supreme control over the same territory, viz.: the federal district of the Republic of Mexico. The seceders took with them the Grand Secretary and all the records, papers, archives, seal and other equipment of the grand body originally known as Valle de Mexico. The official notice received says: 'It is quite probable that other lodges of Mexican membership and working the Scottish ritual will secede from the regular grand lodge Valle de Mexico.' The notice further states that 'the irregular body has requested the recognition and support of the Supreme Council 33°, A. and A.S.R., and at the meeting July 5 that body took steps to grant the request.'

"From this it will be seen that the body heretofore bearing the name Valle de Mexico was of a mongrel constituency where Ancient Craft Masonry had little consideration or influence. The territory embraced in the jurisdiction over which these rival factions are fighting is the federal district, an oval shaped valley about 30 x 45 miles, between a wall of mountains. A half-dozen other irregular and clandestine grand bodies exist in the republic of Mexico. One of these, known as 'The Grand Lodge Unida Mexicano de Vera Cruz,' has recognized the seceders as regular. This body claims jurisdiction over the entire republic of Mexico. The foregoing facts indicate the good fortune of this Grand Lodge in avoiding entangling alliances with such questionable bodies as are shown to exist in the Mexican republic. In order that the Grand Lodge of Illinois might be informed of the situation this report is made. No action is required."

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Past Grand Master BELL secured the passage of an amendment whereby what is called "perpetual personal jurisdiction" is modified so as to permit petitioners rejected by Illinois Lodges to be balloted upon in other Jurisdictions after five years.

The Grand Orator, Brother FRANK G. SMITH, delivered an oration which is characterized as "able, eloquent and profound," which we wish we might have heard, and which is sure to please his Illinois Brethren, and also we may add his Iowa Brethren, for does it not supply five poems?

Hereafter the Grand Master is to have a salary of \$2,500 (in place of \$1,500) "in full financial compensation for the performance of the duties of his office, including stenographer and clerk hire;" his postage, stationary and incidental expenses are not included.

Hereafter documentary evidence as to the name and number of his Lodge will be required from a visitor not vouched for.

The report on Masonic Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother OWEN SCOTT, who says he began his work "with many misgivings and almost with literal fear and trembling."

Our Brother soon "found himself," and has prepared an interesting and informing report. He is properly jealous for his distinguished predecessor, Past Grand Master ROBBINS, for whose memory he and we have a very high regard and respect.

Under Georgia, noting the word "inmates" used in the Masonic Home, in that Jurisdiction, he tells us that in Illinois they regard such as "members" of the Home family: in our Home at Elizabethtown we call them "guests."

We learn that in Illinois there is no "short way," in opening or closing the Lodge in the different degrees. Our Brother likes not "the ancient fiction of 'the round table,'"

asking, "Why not let the correspondents work on the square?"

Under California, we quote:

"A pleasing incident and one showing a beautiful spirit of amity and concord among grand lodges was the correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Many Keystone State Masons are in the Philippines and have been clamoring for the organization of lodges by their mother grand lodge. Pennsylvania responded to a letter from California saying that the far eastern archipelago was the proper and legitimate field of the Pacific state."

Our Brother begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1909 as follows:

"477 LODGES. ORGANIZED 1786. 92,135 MEMBERS.

"The writer is new at the business of reviewing proceedings of grand lodges. He is inclined to consider himself almost on 'holy ground' when he attempts to set forth to his Illinois brethren the doings of the Keystone grand lodge. Organized in 1786, it has for 124 years been one of the leaders in Masonry throughout the world. Though Illinois, much its junior in age, exceeds in membership, it yet has profound respect for the age and achievements of Pennsylvania Masonry."

As our Grand Lodge intends to celebrate on September 25, 1911, the 125th anniversary of its existence as an independent and sovereign Grand Lodge, the Provincial Grand Lodge having been closed September 25, 1786, the statement "Organized 1786" is hardly adequate.

He says, referring to the steel engravings of the Temple and two Past Grand Masters:

"These with a *fac-simile* letter of LAWRENCE McDERMOTT, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of England,

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January 11, 1765, and of original charter from the Grand Lodge of England, certainly are the kind of picture illustrations that have made the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania famous. The large, readable type used in printing might with profit be imitated by some other grand lodges."

The address of Grand Master ORLADY was "an exhaustive statement of the affairs of the Craft." His "reasoning" with regard to making a Mason at sight, Brother SCOTT regards as "faulty," while Brother ORLADY "may have stated correctly the right and prerogative of the Grand Master."

Grand Master GUTHRIE made "a ringing inaugural address, the keynote of which was the speedy completion of the Masonic Home and the necessity for its establishment."

Brother SCOTT further states:

"The brethren of Pennsylvania ought to be most religious. The grand master appointed fifteen grand chaplains. Illinois gets all the spiritual consolation it needs from one. Perhaps the Keystone State needs more religious ministrations than the Prairie State."

Our report (an "able review") received due consideration. Referring to what we said as to the action of Illinois regarding the matter of the recognition of Valle de Mexico, our Brother says:

"It is gratifying that so great a grand lodge as Pennsylvania is not swept off its feet by modernism and commercialism. It stands for the ancient craft and the landmarks."

Brother SCOTT quite naturally resents the suggestion of "the domination" of Brother ROBBINS in the matter of the majority report last year against Valle de Mexico, saying

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that if Brother MATTHEWS knew the two other Past Grand Masters who joined with him and Brother ROBBINS in their conclusions, he would "scarcely consider it a one man opinion." We remember Grand Master BELL telling us that, after appointing upon the special committee the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Brother ROBBINS, and the Brother who favored the recognition of Mexico, he selected as the other members three of the *ablest* Past Grand Masters in the Jurisdiction, without any knowledge of their views or leanings.

Number of Lodges, 780; initiated, 8534; total Master Masons, 101,692, a gain of 5703. Receipts, including balance of \$53,597.44, were \$113,046.47; disbursements, \$48,603.37; balance, \$64,443.10.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT B. ASHLEY, of Decatur, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother ISAAC CUTTER, of Camp Point, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

INDIANA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana began its Eighty-ninth Annual Meeting in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Indianapolis, on Tuesday, May 24, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM RIDLEY, Deputy Grand Master, Acting Grand Master.

The address of the Acting Grand Master is a business-like paper.

The Grand Secretary reported that, in compliance with the order made the year before, he had secured photographs of 447 of the Worshipful Masters that year, it being the dedication year of the Temple.

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A long preamble and numerous resolutions bearing upon the project of a General Grand Lodge were offered by Past Grand Master MIKELS, and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which, in an interesting and well-prepared paper, reported against adopting them, and the Grand Lodge concurred with the Committee and the resolutions were not adopted.

From the report of the Building Committee, we find that the total cost of the Masonic Temple and grounds was \$531,903.90. In order to further the Masonic Home project, the annual dues are to be increased from 25 to 50 cents.

We note the form of petition adopted in Indiana in 1904, printed on page 167, as being somewhat out of plumb when tried by ordinary rules of grammar.

The "Indiana Annual Masonic Review" is again the work of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother DANIEL McDONALD, his twelfth, and is along the lines of its predecessors, many interesting matters being presented.

Referring to a committee which "begged leave" to report, our Brother makes the point that it is "not just the thing for a Committee to 'beg' to do a thing they are required to do under their appointment."

There is one subject to which Brother McDONALD refers in his beginning, repeatedly comments upon as he goes along, and finally notes in his conclusion, namely, the making of a Mason at sight. Our dear Brother has convinced himself that the Grand Lodge cannot make a Mason at sight, and therefore the Grand Master cannot, as "it has no right or authority" (at least Brother McDONALD so thinks) "to confer upon its Grand Master any right that it does not itself possess."

In spite of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Brother McDONALD regards the action of the Grand Master of Ohio on February 18, 1909, as "a Masonic function of doubtful legality."

We may point out that our Brother is in error when he speaks of Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT taking the degrees "after he was inaugurated President of the United States": Brother ROOSEVELT was made a Mason in Matinecock Lodge, No. 806, New York, on January 2, 1901, while he was Governor of New York.

To Pennsylvania for 1908 nearly five pages of review are given. For our Brother's information we may say that the principal business of the Grand Lodge at its Communication upon St. John the Evangelist's Day is the address of the Grand Master and the installation of the Grand Officers. As that is the day upon which our Masonic year begins, installations are taking place all over the Jurisdiction, and hence the attendance is not large.

We quote:

"A beautiful picture of the magnificent Masonic Temple at Philadelphia adorns the first page of the Proceedings, while as an appendix is published numerous illustrations of the places of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the past century and a half, also interior views in the Masonic Temple of Philadelphia, the pride of the entire Masonic Fraternity of the whole world. These illustrations are preceded by a historical account by Julius F. Sachse, Grand Lodge Librarian, which in itself is a very valuable document well worthy of preservation."

A number of extracts are made from Grand Master ORLADY's address, Brother McDONALD saying:

"We wish he had told us what the Landmarks were, or are; how many there are of them; by what authority they were declared Landmarks, and any other facts he knew about them, of which he was in possession."

Our report is considered and quoted from, our opinions being "well worded and to the point."

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Number of Lodges, including four under dispensation, 536; initiated, 3672; total membership, 54,710, a gain of 2195. Receipts, including balance of \$17,439.00, were \$54,107.16; disbursements, \$38,034.89; balance, \$16,072.27.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM RIDLEY, of Corydon, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CALVIN W. PRATHER, of Indianapolis, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

IOWA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Iowa, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Sixty-seventh Annual Communication in the Syndicate Theatre, in the City of Waterloo, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother DAVID W. CLEMENTS, Grand Master.

Prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge the Grand and Past Grand Officers and members of the Grand Lodge were escorted from the "headquarters hotel," over a route designated by the local committee, to the place of meeting, by a Commandery of Knights Templar and two bands. Whether the Brethren wore their Masonic clothing, we do not know; we hope not.

The address of the Grand Master, whose engraved portrait forms the frontispiece, gives an interesting account of his actions. Before the address, the Grand Master caused the Grand Secretary to read a poem on "The Old Tyler," while he himself read one on the same subject. Knowing the partiality of our Iowa Brethren for poetry, we are sure they must have been gratified with these poems, as they are of unusual interest owing to local associations. Grand Master CLEMENTS, like Mr. SILAS WEGG, "dropped

into poetry," in thanking the Brethren for his Past Grand Master's jewel.

Referring to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences, the Grand Master, Brother CLEMENTS, expresses himself as opposed to a National Grand Lodge. We are glad his recommendation as to the issuing from time to time of an "Occasional Bulletin," from Grand Secretary PARVIN's office, was approved. It seems strange to have Brother CLEMENTS say, "at present there is no authorized ritual for opening or closing the Grand Lodge." We wonder why.

The reports of Brother PARVIN as Grand Secretary and as Grand Librarian are of their usual excellence. His suggestions as to the preparation of Lodge Histories are excellent. He refers to the report of the Philadelphia Conference as "worthy of note."

An interesting feature was the presentation of newly designed Past Grand Master's jewels to those entitled to receive them.

A special committee, to which was referred the suggestion of the Grand Master that the "Grand Representative system" be reinstated, reported against such reinstatement, and the Grand Lodge adopted their report.

The Iowa Proceedings are in Brother PARVIN's best form; he pays tribute to the memory of "our Associate Grand Secretaries," giving portraits of Brothers NICKERSON, of Massachusetts, CUNNINGHAM, of South Australia, THOMPSON, of North Dakota, and WOODBURY, of New Hampshire. Biographical sketches are given of the Grand Officers, one of whom, Grand Treasurer CARLTON, is a native of Scranton, in our Jurisdiction.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is again by Right Worshipful Brother LOUIS BLOCK, Past Senior Grand Warden, who was so cordially received last year by his fellow scribes. In place of an "introduction," he gives a "statement" of "the cold, hard, heartless facts accounting for

the absence of an introduction," he being, as he says, "barren of ideas."

Our Brother has prepared another interesting and very full report, giving generously of the many good things he came upon in his work of reviewing many Proceedings.

He thinks the matter of properly constructed ballot-boxes one deserving attention in every Jurisdiction; believes most heartily "in such a Conference of Grand Masters as was held in Philadelphia," expressing, however, his regret that "the vexed problem of inter-state Masonic relief" was not considered. We may say that there was no time; and, as a matter of fact, the Conference was prolonged a day longer than was originally planned, so much was there to be considered. Our Brother is, as is the writer, "strongly opposed to the formation of a Grand Lodge of the United States."

Brother BLOCK is a lawyer, and he does not hesitate to express his disapproval of the decision of the Supreme Court of Kansas, and advises that the matter in question be remedied by "a statutory enactment." Our own view is that it is the duty of the Court to construe laws, not to enact them.

In his review of Maryland, referring to the dedication of the new Masonic Temple, he writes:

"That other Masonic giant, Grand Master George B. Orlady, of Pennsylvania, was present as one of the honored guests, and brought the fraternal greetings of his own Grand Lodge to the Maryland Masons in a fine address, closing with the following words:

" ' May the light which radiates from this place pervade your social and fraternal life to merit the favor, protection, and benediction of the Grand Master above, for all the days of this life and the ages of eternity; and for your

twenty-five times Grand Master, Pennsylvania Masons hope and pray, that he will get late into heaven.

‘May Shryock live till time itself shall end,
And may we live his funeral to attend.’

“It seems that the Grand Lodge of Maryland was founded by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the finest feeling has ever continued to exist between these two Grand Jurisdictions, as was evidenced by the fact that at the annual session of the Grand Lodge Brother Orlady was made honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland.”

On one subject our Brother does not leave us in doubt, indeed it seems almost a favorite topic, namely, the attendance of Lodges at Church; he would have none of that. While we do not favor the attendance of Brethren *in their Masonic clothing* at Church, we find that as early as 1755 Pennsylvania Brethren attended a Church service, and we do not feel as acutely upon the subject as our Brother. As the matter of attendance is entirely voluntary, we are not impressed with the strength of the opposition to such attendance.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed, a long extract being made from a report of our Committee on Appeals (we do not add to the title of our Committee “and of Grievances”).

Our Brother is very jealous for his Grand Lodge Library and Museum, and certainly with good reason, saying:

“Still you would never get an Iowa Mason to admit that there is anywhere a Masonic library or museum that can excel that established and maintained by the Iowa craft at Cedar Rapids.”

and again:

“These Pennsylvania fellows don’t like to hear us crow

about our Grand Lodge Library. We are willing to admit that when it comes to a Masonic library they are a very close second, but a first? Never!"

Our Brother is mistaken; we do not mind his crowing. We simply ask our Iowa Brethren to come and see.

The address of Grand Master ORLADY "is the carefully prepared and thoughtful document which was to be anticipated from a man of his reputation in the Masonic world."

Upon being installed, Grand Master GUTHRIE "delivered himself of a short, but well-worded address outlining his conception of his duties."

Our report receives approval, as this writer "certainly has succeeded in placing some beautiful and artistic designs upon his enlarged trestle-board."

Commenting upon our question as to the Grand Master of Iowa having power in the matter of ordering smoking to be stopped in the Lodge-room, Brother BLOCK says:

"Suppose the Grand Master had issued such an order. How long do you think that that insidious, stubborn and rebellious god 'nicotine' could have allowed the boys to obey it? We would like to inquire whether the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has among its statutory regulations a provision against smoking in the lodge-room, and also whether any order against smoking in the lodge-room has ever been issued by the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and, if so, what luck he had in getting it carried out?"

For our Brother's information, we may say that in this Jurisdiction there never was any necessity for such an order. Our Brother may be interested in the following from our Ahiman Rezon of 1782 (dedicated to "George Washington, Esq., General and Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States of America"):

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“ While the Lodge is open for work, Masons must hold no private conversation or committees without leave from the Master; nor talk of anything foreign or impertinent to the work in hand, nor interrupt the Master or Wardens, or any brother addressing himself to the Chair; not act ludicrously while the Lodge is engaged in what is serious and solemn; but every brother shall pay due reverence to the Master, the Wardens, and all his fellows, and put them to worship.”

Number of Lodges, 518; initiated, 2843; total membership, 42,612, a gain of 1537. Receipts, including balance of \$43,122.00, were \$80,110.76; disbursements, \$38,410.41; balance, \$41,700.35.

Most Worshipful Brother FREDERICK W. CRAIG, of Des Moines, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother NEWTON R. PARVIN, of Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

KANSAS—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas began its Fifty-fourth Annual Communication in the Home Theatre, in the City of Hutchinson, on Wednesday, February 16, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FRED WASHBON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a report of his official acts.

Under “ Foreign Relations,” we quote:

“ On the first and second days of June, 1909, a memorable masonic gathering was held at Philadelphia, the same having been convened by R. W. GEORGE B. ORLADY, Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania. Grand Master

ORLADY, conceiving that it would be of benefit to the Craft at large, arranged to invite all of the active Grand Masters east of the Mississippi River to meet as his guests, for the purpose of a conference touching the laws and customs of the various Grand Jurisdictions bearing upon interjurisdictional relations. A bound volume containing all of the proceedings of such conference was received by your Grand Master."

He reports ("notwithstanding the torrent of criticism which the action has been subjected to on the part of other Grand Jurisdictions") the "providing for the issuance of an official cypher" has been fully justified "by the results."

We never had any use for the Jesuitical saying, "the end justifies the means."

In his report as Librarian, Grand Secretary WILSON, in acknowledging additions to their library, mentions "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907, Lodge No. 2, 1757-1781"; "Proceedings of a Conference of Grand Masters of Masons held in Philadelphia, 1909"; "Souvenir Album, Places of Meeting, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania"; and "Description of Decorations, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia."

Brother CHARLES E. LOBDELL delivered the oration, taking as his theme "The Man and the Mason." He tells us Masonry is "the perfected fraternal outgrowth of the ages."

The Grand Lodge adopted a special report of the Committee on Correspondence (to which had been referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences), "endorsing, approving and adopting the declaration of the Baltimore Conference":

"We have no desire to see a National or Supreme Grand Lodge of Ancient Craft Masonry in this country. It could

serve no useful purpose and such an idea has no friend or supporter here."

The Pennsylvania form of renunciation was approved.

The Grand Lodge of San Salvador was recognized.

Although due record of the death of our dear Brother, Past Grand Master DICK, was made in our Proceedings of 1907, he having died on May 10th of that year, we note that his name is still carried in the list of "Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Kansas Near Other Grand Lodges."

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MATTHEW M. MILLER, his eighth. Our Brother is forceful and energetic.

Under Alabama, he well says:

"Masons under Masonic Constitutions are at the very least entitled to the equal rights guaranteed to them under the law of the land, and one of these is that no man shall be deprived of life, liberty or property except by a final judgment of a Court of competent jurisdiction, the right of appeal to the Court of last resort being safeguarded to him in the most sacred and binding manner.

"A Mason's right of membership in the lodge is never determined until finally determined, and no constitutional provision can determine or put an end to that right prior to such final determination in Grand Lodge where an appeal has been taken from action by Lodge; and a reversal or remanding of the case for retrial by Grand Lodge sets aside all previous action and makes the matter a trial *de novo*."

and, under Kentucky,

"We regret to note the adoption of Rule 6, an appendix to the new Constitution permitting the moving of the previous question when a question is under debate. We think

this appendix liable to be the cause of inflammation and mortification, and think it wise to remove it before it produces such trouble. No gag law and no restrictions on debate have ever been recognized in Masonry, save those interposed by the rules of the Masonic Body, Master or Grand Master, and in the interests of harmony; no change to other methods than those known to the Craft should be made."

Under the same Jurisdiction, the "self-styled Masonic Congress of 1844," we take to be the Baltimore Conference of 1843.

We shall be interested to know what Brother MILLER will think of the recent action of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico in giving up its sovereignty.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is reviewed, beginning as follows:

"The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania never has demonstrated its greatness in larger form, or been more comprehensive in the scope and extent of its organized charities, than it now is showing itself to be in its complete provisions for the new systematized plan of furnishing ample Masonic Home accommodations for the destitute dependents of the Craft. While it is no disparagement to smaller and financially weaker Grand Lodges that it has taken them years of self denial and economic struggle to make their Masonic Homes successful, nevertheless Pennsylvania is entitled all the more to the credit her due for first providing the money with which to build and start her Home, fully equipped, leaving the accumulation of a sinking fund to pay for it to later effort."

Grand Master ORLADY's address "is a valuable contribution to the early history of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania. He demonstrates that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was a Sovereign Grand organization of the Craft in 1731, &c." After some quotations, Brother MILLER continues:

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“ We regret that we can not take all the historical references in the Grand Master’s address. We commend their careful reading to all the Kansas brethren, especially those who have been unfamiliar with their own pedigree as Masons, though tracing beyond question to ‘ ancient ancestry ’ the Masonry of the FRANKLINS, WARRENS, REVERES, and others of Revolutionary times.

“ The illustrations of the various masonic lodges, or temples occupied by the Craft, together with the descriptive historical account of the same by Librarian JULIUS F. SACHSE, are worthy of the careful study of masonic students.”

Our report is commented upon, our Brother saying that this writer “ for several years has faithfully and well represented the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as Reviewer and Correspondent.” This is the eleventh complete report we have prepared, having assisted in the preparation of two previously, so that “ several ” is on the safe side.

Number of Lodges, including 2 new ones, 390; initiated, 2668; total membership, 33,657, a gain of 1585. Receipts, including balance of \$36,058.64, were \$74,114.38; disbursements, \$31,593.60; balance, \$42,520.78.

Most Worshipful Brother MARION K. BRUNDAGE, of Russell, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALBERT K. WILSON, of Topeka, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

KENTUCKY—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Louisville, on Tuesday, October 19, A.D. 1909, and closed two days later, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother VIRGIL P. SMITH, Grand Master.

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In his address, the Grand Master reports:

“Our growth has been steady, peace has prevailed, harmony has been the watchword, strength the result.”

He wisely refused a request to “put a float carrying Masonic designs and emblems in a public parade.”

The matter of the disputed possession of the Temple has been decided in favor of the Grand Lodge.

From the report of the Committee on Appeals, we quote without comment:

“It is in evidence that the wife of the accused was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter, and that a certain ‘side degree’ was given her which humiliated her, and she complained to her husband. He was naturally indignant and talked about it to other Masons. There is proof that side degrees calculated to offend modest women, yet not in themselves obscene, were conferred in the chapter.”

Just why a Past Grand Master should move that a committee be appointed to invite to a seat in the Grand Lodge a Brother “who has not been restored to the right to visit his own Lodge,” and who was at the time in the city, we are at a loss to understand.

Before the Grand Lodge is closed, the roll is called and the absentees noted; this time only eleven failed to respond.

The new “Regulations for the Government of the Craft” and “The Code Governing Procedure and Practice in Masonic Trials” are printed with the Proceedings.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master appropriately forms the frontispiece.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, or, as it is called in Kentucky, the report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges, is by the Committee, also called the Reporter, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master

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Brother WILLIAM W. CLARKE, who tells us in his Conclusion:

“In the foregoing report we have endeavored to permit each jurisdiction to tell its own story; hence, most of its contents is quoted, and there will be found little original matter in it. We are inclined to the belief that the experiment has not been altogether satisfactory. Should it be the desire of the Grand Master that we write this report next year, we are inclined to the opinion that we will change our method, or materially modify it.”

We are glad, however, to find our Brother giving his own views as to matters and things. He returns again and again to the “gradual assumption of authority by Grand Lodges—centralization of power in Grand Lodges,” to which he referred so strongly last year.

We are interested to have our Brother tell us of himself:

“This committee goes to church pretty regularly, and it sometimes, surreptitiously, takes a chew, but it has never smoked in church, even though the great Spurgeon, so it is said, once said that a man could smoke a cigar to the glory of God.”

Our departed friend and Brother, Bishop POTTER, Past Grand Chaplain of New York, was fond of applying the expression “burning incense” to smoking.

The following, under Kansas, is suggestive of thought:

“It has been a question in our mind whether the tripartite agreement entered into by the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland and Ireland was not, on the part of each, such surrender of sovereignty as to seriously compromise the standing of all said Grand Lodges as sovereign bodies. Were it an original question, and were they, with such a compact existing between them, applying to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky for recognition, this committee is in-

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clined to the opinion that it could not recommend recognition, on the ground that neither was a sovereign body; that it could not act in one particular, essentially the act of any independent, sovereign body, without the consent and permission of others."

Our Brother agrees with us that Entered Apprentices are Masons.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is considered. The address of Grand Master ORLADY is "an excellent paper." He thinks we have "some laws or regulations which appear to others as peculiar," and notes some decisions. The pictures of the various places where our Grand Lodge has met, are "an attractive feature." He speaks kindly of our report, and adds:

"Brother Lamberton this year wrote somewhat under a handicap, as the Grand Master, for some reason, directed that the report should not exceed one hundred pages in length. Better do as Kentucky has done, and prescribe the duties of the committee by provision of the Constitution. Grand Masters, however excellent they may be, are fallible."

We find the Constitution of Kentucky provides that the report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges "shall contain a synopsis of so much of the transactions of other Grand Lodges as may be deemed of general or special interest to the craft in Kentucky."

Number of Lodges, including 17 under dispensation, 547; initiated, 2614; total membership, 33,872, a gain of 1315. Receipts, including balance of \$52,687.04, were \$129,101.68; disbursements, \$90,687.59; balance, \$38,414.09.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN H. COWLES, of Louisville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HENRY B. GRANT, of Louisville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

LOUISIANA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana began its Ninety-eighth Annual Grand Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of New Orleans, on Monday, February 14, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother LEE E. THOMAS, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is in line with his address two years ago, and covers many matters of interest. He well says, "The esoteric work is merely the shell that encloses the kernel of truth we desire to have inculcated and written in every Mason's heart."

He reports his decisions at considerable length. We are glad to have him say that he personally does not approve of Sunday meetings for Masonic Lodges. We trust his Jurisdiction will adopt his view. He doubts the wisdom of a General Grand Lodge, but believes a conference of Grand Masters for the purpose of discussing Masonry and various Masonic questions to be very beneficial.

The Committee on Correspondence had a large contract awarded to it, upon its own request, in the shape of instructions to ascertain and inform the Grand Lodge next year

"of conditions of Grand Lodges of the F. and A. M. York Rite, and of Grand Orients or Supreme Councils of the A. and A. Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in foreign countries, especially France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Mexico, and the Central and South American States, with the view of establishing, wherever possible and permissible, fraternal Masonic relations with such bodies."

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Upon recommendation of the same Committee, the following was adopted:

“ *Resolved*, That this M. W. Grand Lodge of F. and A. M. of the State of Louisiana, do hereby recognize the legitimacy of Master Masons made in Lodges of the A. and A. Scottish Rite in countries where that is the dominant Rite, and welcome them to the right of visitation and affiliation under the usual Masonic restrictions, the same as if made in Lodges of our obedience; *provided*, that the Body that has granted a charter to the Lodge, or Lodges, of such brethren has been recognized as a legitimate Masonic Body by this Grand Lodge.”

We could not vote for the resolution.

To put it mildly, we should not think it necessary for a *Masonic* Grand Lodge to extend a welcome to a body of good fellows, who are to have an annual session in the same city several months after the Grand Lodge has closed. We prefer to avoid anything that may look like tending to entangling alliances.

An interesting decision was reached by the Grand Lodge that a Past Master, who has by the Constitution the right “to take part in all its proceedings,” but without the right to vote, has no right or power to initiate legislation.

Hereafter the Lodges in Louisiana are prohibited from holding any Communication during the sessions of the Grand Lodge. We wonder what would happen in the case of a Brother who was so unfortunate to be summoned to the Grand Lodge on High at the time of the Annual Grand Communication; as we understand it, he could not have Masonic burial. Our Louisiana Brethren must be careful in selecting the date of their exit from this life.

The Orator, Past Grand Master REID, took for his subject the second section of the Master Mason’s degree, and hence much of his able oration could not be printed.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master, whose election and installation these Proceedings record, is very appropriately given as the frontispiece.

The report of Foreign Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, our friend Reverend Brother HERMAN COPE DUNCAN, D.D., Grand Chaplain. We find that this year again our good Brother "variously impresses" his Grand Secretary, as Brother DUNCAN explains the variety of ways in which he appears in discharging his activities at the Annual Grand Communication.

Although his Grand Lodge recognizes the Mexican Grand Lodge of Oaxaca, our Brother does not seem to have ever received any of its Proceedings.

Our Brother has gathered informing matter for his Brethren. We cannot exactly follow our Brother in his distinction between "adding" and "interpolating" degrees.

Under Italy, we quote:

"From their 'Annuario' of 1908 we make these clippings. They refer to Lodges established by the Grand Orient in what are termed 'Colonie Italiene All'Esterro':

'Pittsburg

(Pensilvania—Stati Uniti D'America)

"R. L. Aurora Italica

' (*Rito Scozzese Antico ed Accettato*)

'Indirizzo: sig. dott. Luigi Paolino, 914, Webster Avenue.

"St. Louis

"(Missouri—Stati Uniti D'America)

R. L. Trinacria

" (*Rito Scozzese Antico ed Accettato*)

'Indirizzo: sig. Ralph Caraffa, Seventh street n. 1012.'

"The planting of the latter Lodge in the Jurisdiction of Missouri we reported last year. The Lodge in Pittsburg seems to be a new one.

"As a matter of course we cannot consider the recog-

dition of the Grand Orient of Italy so long as it continues to invade the jurisdiction of other Masonic Powers."

Our Brother has "serious doubts," "from a historical view-point," about a decision that an Entered Apprentice may visit another Lodge open in the Entered Apprentice degree. Our Brother might consider the result of the National Masonic Convention at Baltimore in 1843.

Pennsylvania for 1908 (not 1909, as Brother DUNCAN writes it) is well reviewed. After speaking of Grand Master ORLADY's address, and giving two paragraphs therefrom, he refers to the historical part of that address and says:

"In the course of his narrative he tells us that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has granted thirty-three warrants of constitution to Lodges without the bounds of the State, and he enumerates twenty-nine of them. The reason for his omission of the other four is occult. They were all in New Orleans, and were numbered on the Pennsylvania Register as numbers 93, 117, 118 and 129. Two of them are still active, Polar Star and Perseverance."

We do not think the reason for the omission is so very "occult," after all. May we ask our Brother to count again, and then to note that Brother ORLADY said (see Proceedings of 1908, page 141), the italics being ours: "These make a grand total of 33 foreign warrants granted by the *Provincial* Grand Lodge"?

The warrants of the Lodges Brother DUNCAN mentions were granted by the present Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the first, that of No. 93, being granted March 1, 1802.

If our Brother counts again, we think he will find thirty-two (not thirty-three), the warrant "No. 18—In the 17th British Regiment of Foot called Unity Lodge," having been inadvertently omitted in transcribing.

MAINE.

We are glad our report was found "quite interesting."

Number of Lodges, 197; initiated, 1059; total membership, 13,014, a gain of 584. Receipts, including balance of \$1,616.99, were \$41,073.54; disbursements, \$40,386.74; balance, \$686.80.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN S. THIBAUT, of Donaldsonville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother RICHARD LAMBERT, of New Orleans, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MAINE—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine began its Ninety-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, Portland, on Tuesday, May 3, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother EDMUND B. MALLET, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is another short and business-like paper, reporting his doings. He tells of the delightful visit to Baltimore last November, and the Conference of Grand Masters there. We confess to some surprise that no mention whatever was made in his address of the Philadelphia Conference in June, where we had the pleasure of meeting Brother MALLET, especially as the concluding words of the record of that Conference (page 226) were as follows:

"At the suggestion of Brother Mallet (Me.), those present formed a circle, and, joining hands, sang *Auld Lang Syne*, after which the Conference was declared at an end."

Later, we found the following in the Proceedings:

"The Grand Master reported verbally in regard to the Conference of Grand Masters of jurisdictions east of the

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Mississippi held in Philadelphia June 1-3, 1909, and the report was referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence."

That Committee, having considered the " suggestions as to the advisability of harmonizing such differences, if any, which may exist in the interpretation of Masonic law and usages founded thereon " reported recommending that no action whatever be taken, Maine being entirely satisfied with its own laws and decisions.

The report on Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALDRO E. CHASE, and is in line with its seven predecessors. From his Conclusion, we quote, referring to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences:

" With one exception the conferences appear to have been taken for what they really were and not that they were to be the forerunner of a General Grand Lodge. It seems to us that some of the most vital questions appertaining to peace and harmony were not discussed. However, in time, all differences may be eliminated and all may recognize the same rights over candidates, and how near to a ' perfect youth ' one must be to be eligible for Masonry."

Our Brother has culled most abundantly from the reports and addresses he has reviewed, weaving them together in an interesting manner, and briefly adding his own comments and opinions, with many of which we are in entire agreement.

In these reports, we have frequently made mention of Lodges under " dispensation," and for the benefit of our Pennsylvania Brethren, we may say that in a number of Jurisdictions their method of organizing Lodges is different from ours. In this Jurisdiction, a petition, signed by at least five Master Masons, not members of any Lodge, and recommended by the District Deputy Grand Master and at

least three Master Masons, members of a Subordinate Lodge in this Jurisdiction, is presented to the Grand Lodge, and the usual action is to refer the same to the Grand Officers (*i.e.*, the Grand Master and his Deputy, the two Grand Wardens, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Secretary), "with power to act." If these Brethren decide that it is for the good of the Craft, the Warrant is granted, being dated the day of the Communication at which the action just mentioned was taken. A day is then set when the Brethren are constituted into a regular Lodge, either by the Grand Master or by his representative.

In many Jurisdictions, most of which hold only regular Annual Communications, the petition for a new Lodge is presented to the Grand Master, who, if he sees proper, issues a dispensation, and either in person or by his representative, sets the Brethren to work. At the next Annual Communication, they make report and ask for a charter, which may be granted at that Communication, or may be deferred until the next or some subsequent one, the Lodge in the meantime continuing to work under the dispensation, having most of the powers of a regular Lodge.

The death of Past Grand Master BROWN is recorded, with an extract from the tribute paid by Grand Master ORLADY.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed. Grand Master ORLADY's address is summarized and a number of his decisions quoted. Our report receives generous consideration, our statement of the requirements in each Grand Jurisdiction as to documentary evidence being "most valuable." He makes some six extracts, and explains that the number of black balls is not announced in Maine, but, as the regulations of their Grand Lodge provide that a second ballot may be taken when but one black ball appears, when the Master orders a second ballot, it is known that only one black ball was cast.

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Number of Lodges, including 2 new ones, 205; initiated, 1206; total membership, 28,328, a gain of 464. From the reports of the Grand Treasurer and the Committee on Finance, receipts, including balance of \$11,427.15, were \$23,302.26, and disbursements, \$10,498.48, leaving balance of \$12,803.78; but their receipts and expenditures do not seem to tally with those given under "Recapitulation—1910" by Grand Secretary BERRY, whom we had the pleasure of seeing in his office last June.

Most Worshipful Reverend Brother ASHLEY A. SMITH, of Belfast, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother STEPHEN BERRY, of Portland, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MANITOBA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Thirty-fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Winnipeg, on Wednesday, June 8, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES D. BAINE, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a brief paper, showing the record of a pleasant but uneventful year.

In his report as Grand Librarian, Grand Secretary OVAS reports the following donation:

"Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727–1907, Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., 1781–1813, Vol. 2, the gift of R. W. Bro. William A. Sinn, Grand Secretary."

The proposed celebration of the bicentenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England in 1917, was approved. On the second day, "the Brethren adjourned to Manitoba

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Hall for luncheon, after which an address was delivered by His Grace the Archbishop of Rupert's Land."

The Most Reverend Brother SAMUEL P. MATHESON, D.D., D.C.L., is the senior Past Grand Master.

We are glad to see that Grand Secretary OVAS is to have a Past Grand Master's chain, collar, and jewel. We note also that "proper suitable Regalia" is to be procured for the Grand Lodge officers, so they will not hereafter have to use that belonging to the local Lodge.

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Number of Lodges, including 2 under dispensation, 69; initiated, 527; total membership, 5151, a gain of 597. Receipts, including balance of \$1,482.08, were \$7,781.18; disbursements, \$6,715.03; balance, \$1,066.15.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. BAKER, of Winnipeg, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother JAMES A. OVAS, of Winnipeg, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MARYLAND—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland held its Two Hundred and Forty-fourth Semi-Annual Communication at I. O. O. F. Temple, in the City of Baltimore, on Tuesday, May 11, A.D. 1909.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, Grand Master.

Routine matters chiefly occupied the Brethren.

A Special Communication was held for the purpose of re-dedicating the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday afternoon, November 16, 1909, at four o'clock, the services being performed with great dignity and impressiveness. Visiting Grand Masters and other Brethren (this writer included) were present from all parts of the country. The address of

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Grand Master SHRYOCK was very happy, while the oration by our Grand Master ORLADY was interesting and appropriate, his closing lines being greatly enjoyed:

“May Shryock live till time shall end,
And may we live his funeral to attend.”

Our good Brother EDWARD T. SCHULTZ, Right Worshipful Past Senior Grand Warden, the Masonic Historian of Maryland, unfortunately was unable to be present, but his valuable paper on the “Homes of the Grand Lodge” was in print and given to the Brethren.

The same evening the Grand Lodge began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication, closing the following evening. All the Brethren from other Jurisdictions who attended the dedication in the afternoon were present, and many of them made interesting addresses. Unusual action was the adoption unanimously of a resolution making Grand Master ORLADY a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, when Grand Master SHRYOCK said:

“You will get the credit of being the only Grand Lodge in the United States conferring such a degree as this, although it is quite a common thing in Europe for lodges to confer this rank on distinguished Brethren and some not so distinguished. For instance, I was elected to that rank by the Grand Lodge of Egypt. If we had time to-night I would like to tell you about Egypt, but I will tell you about it some other time.”

We may refer our Brethren to what we said in this connection at our Quarterly Communication in December, 1909.

Contrary to his usual custom the Grand Master gave a written address, which we listened to with much pleasure. We quote:

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“On June 1, by invitation of Right Worshipful Bro. George B. Orlady, Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania, I attended a conference of Grand Masters to which were invited the Grand Masters of all the Grand Lodges east of the Mississippi river, and had the pleasure of meeting there the Grand Masters of eighteen or twenty Grand Lodges. It seems entirely superfluous for me to say that we were most lavishly and hospitably entertained, as this is the usual manner in which our Brethren of Pennsylvania greet sojourners within their jurisdiction. We held a two [sic] days' session in the Masonic Temple and discussed many questions of great interest to the Craft, some of which we found impossible to agree upon unanimously, and therefore, wisely refrained from making them a matter of record. The subjects upon which the conference unanimously agreed would be of benefit to the Craft, are such as they all felt their Grand Lodges would concur in.”

Pennsylvania, being the Mother Jurisdiction, came in for many pleasant words, and we quote a few:

Grand Master BELL, of Illinois, said in part:

“One would imagine from what has transpired in this temple to-day that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the Grand Lodge of Maryland constitute about all there is of it. I am happy to say to you that you have now arrived at a point in your experience when you will learn otherwise.

“I was born in the great State of Illinois, and I am proud of it. I have lived in the State of Illinois all my life, and I have no doubt that at last when I sink to rest, I shall find my home in her soil, and yet every drop of blood in my veins is from this old Commonwealth of Maryland. Both my mother and my father were born and reared at Cambridge on the Eastern Shore. They became infatuated with each other, which seems to be a family trait of ours, and they came across to this Monumental City

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of Baltimore and were married, went to Illinois and you see what has happened."

Grand Master BANKS, of Georgia, said in part:

"I am so glad I am a Mason. I am so glad for a great many reasons. I am so glad that I am a Master Mason and was elected Master of my lodge, and I am so glad that the brethren of Georgia shut their eyes to my faults and made me Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, because it gave me the opportunity to go to Philadelphia, that grand and glorious meeting, and gave me an opportunity to make the acquaintance of Brother Orlady whom I never would have known and loved but for that meeting and the fact that I was a Mason. All the brethren who met together there in Philadelphia I learned to love.

"And so it is here in this place. I met some brethren I did not know were in the world until I came to Baltimore. I did not know they existed, and I have learned to love a great many of them. There is Lou Beitler from Philadelphia. God bless him! I love him, but I cannot keep up with him in a great many things and yet I love him, I love him all the same."

Grand Secretary EHLERS, Honorary Past Grand Master of New York, said:

"I want to say to him and to the brethren of Maryland how glad I am that this beautiful structure has again risen upon the place made waste by the great fire in your city. As I sat here yesterday and listened to the services of the hour I recalled sixteen years ago when the then new temple was dedicated. I recall the brother from Pennsylvania [Past Grand Master VAUX] who was the orator of the day, and it seemed to me that it was appropriate, highly appropriate

and most desirable that the distinguished jurist, the present Grand Master of Pennsylvania, should have been selected as the orator upon this occasion."

Grand Master ORLADY being introduced said:

"*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:* I feel quite embarrassed by my divided allegiance.

"I want to thank the distinguished brother from Massachusetts for offering us Benjamin Franklin, and I feel that from the way he got away from Massachusetts, stealing his passage on canal boats and walking through a snow storm, he must have had a mighty good reason for leaving Massachusetts."

"BROTHER BLISS: He made good after he got there."

"BROTHER ORLADY: So he did; we made him a Mason in 1730."

"*Most Worshipful Grand Master:* I feel that I am almost called upon to do a double act to those of our visitors who have accepted our kind invitation. We want to assure you a most hearty and cordial welcome. We have given you an exhibition of Maryland hospitality, and we have a practical evidence of your enjoyment of it. We want to assure you that Maryland stands right in the middle of the map and in issuing the invitations, the oceans have greeted each other, and the Canadian line has shaken hands with the Gulf, and above and beyond all, the sweetest suggestion of everything is that the imaginary line of Mason and Dixon has been sponged off the map.

"I have only lately gotten to know just how good Maryland Masons were and I am willing to sign the affidavit without reading it. I want to tell you this, all you visitors, guests and natives, that the whole reason for the enjoyment of this occasion is that full grown men believe in the principles of Freemasonry; that if we are going to be better in the world to come, we have got to be better in the days

to come; and that this is not a mere negative proposition, but an active living force with which we are identified.

"I cannot speak of Pennsylvania when I am talking of Maryland, because my heart is so full of My Maryland that I delegate the duty of speaking for My Pennsylvania to the one who succeeds me when I go on the junk pile in December."

The record continues:

"THE GRAND MASTER: We will now hear from Brother Geo. W. Guthrie, Deputy Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

"R. W. BROTHER GUTHRIE: *Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brother Masons of Maryland*: Speaking for Pennsylvania I want to thank you and congratulate you for the exhibition of hospitality which you have given during these last two strenuous days, a hospitality that never fails, a hospitality that surrounds us with a feeling of brotherliness and of a character and consideration that never failed in a single point.

"Pennsylvania will never forget the kindness and fraternity with which she was received here.

"I want to thank you, moreover, for the splendid compliment which the Grand Lodge of Maryland paid to us, a compliment which has never been excelled, the one which was conferred upon our Grand Master, whom we honor and love, and whom we believe worthy of the honor she gave, the honor of Past Grand Master in your Grand Lodge.

"I congratulate you on this magnificent temple of Freemasonry which you have erected here under such trying circumstances, and after such trying occurrences as you have met with. It is beautiful. It is worthy of Masonry. May its beauty inspire you in the years to come. May it long continue to send forth from its portals Masons inspired to high ideals, Masons trained to true standards of manhood, trained to true standards of citizenship, trained to that

faith in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man for which Masonry stands and has stood in the ages past, and must stand in the ages to come.

“In the years to come, may the memory of the great lives which you have inspired in these halls stand before the people of this country as a greater honor than all the beauty and glory of your Temple, so that every stone in it will be redolent with the memory of these great, true and noble lives.

“I believe that from these meetings great benefit will come to Masonry and the world. We learn to know each other. You cannot appreciate or know or understand your brother by correspondence or by report as you know him when you have stood side by side, and felt the touch at the elbow as you move forward in these movements which Masonry inspires.

“We come together here as we did this morning and we learn that these differences which seem to divide us, which seem to threaten us with disruption and discord, when we put them to each other and consider them in the spirit of brotherly love, we learn that great as they seem when magnified with carping criticisms, the differences are merely verbal. In the heart of everyone there was nothing but love for the teachings of Masonry as we had received it from the fathers, nothing but a desire to so carry on the work of Masonry that through all the world will go forth this great, potent and glorious spirit and movement of which our Grand Master has spoken.

“I believe that because Masonry does mean this, because Masonry carries not innovations, nor amusements, but great truths which are essential to the development of man and the progress of the world, that Masonry will continue, that the Lodges will spread and grow in number and in influence until that great day comes when, in the heart of every man, stands that same altar to the One True and Ever-

living God, and his life and action is animated always not by greed or selfish or narrow motives, but love, the love of a brother for the child of his mother.

“Masonry teaches this and while we are true to these things Masonry will live as a great potent influence, building up as we have pledged ourselves to build up a temple not built with human hands, made of the hearts of men divested of their vices and defects so as to be worthy stones in the Temple of the Everliving and True God.”

We venture to supplement the printed record, where it states:

“Past Grand Master John M. Carter was called to
“preside, who installed Brother Thos. J. Shryock, M. W.
“Grand Master for the 25th consecutive term,”

by adding as follows:

“Brother Carter calling to his assistance the only other living Past Grand Master of Maryland, Bro. George B. Orlady,”

and we might also add “to the very evident pleasure of the Maryland Brethren.”

We have received a beautifully prepared book entitled, “The Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters,” giving, in addition to a full account of that Conference held in the new Temple, on Wednesday morning, November 17, at which we were present, by the personal invitation of Grand Master SHRYOCK, an account of Dedication Week, a description of the New Masonic Temple, and a story of the loss of the old home, prepared by Brother ARTHUR FRANCIS PIMLEY. The book is beautifully illustrated, and we regard ourself as fortunate in being the possessor of a copy of the limited edition printed. The Conference approved of the conclusions arrived at by the Philadelphia Conference and in

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addition unanimously and effectively disposed of any idea of the formation of any National Grand Lodge or a Supreme Grand Lodge.

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Last year, we expressed the wish that Grand Treasurer TOME would follow Grand Secretary ISAAC's example in preparing a brief re-capitulation of the finances of the year, in addition to the two semi-annual reports which he makes. We regret to say that not only does Brother TOME not follow Brother ISAAC's good example of last year, but the latter Brother omits the "Comparative Statement" which he made last year, so that we have little information as to work. "Number of Lodges 114—33 City; 81 County." The usual number of initiations is in the neighborhood of 500, so that we estimate the total membership as 13,400. We must decline to undertake to combine the Grand Treasurer's two accounts.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, of Baltimore, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM M. ISAAC, of Baltimore, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held its Quarterly Communications March 10, June 9, September 8, and December 8 (which was the Annual), and its Stated Communication December 28, A.D. 1909.

Most Worshipful Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, Grand Master.

At the March Quarterly, report was made of an important decision given by the Supreme Court of the State, the highest appellate Court, that funds given to or held by the Grand Lodge for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a home for indigent and needy Masons constitute

a public charity, and that such funds are not the subject of taxation.

A framed photograph of the diploma granted by the Lodge at Marblehead, in 1761, to JOHN PULLING was presented to the Grand Lodge by Brother EDWIN B. HOLMES, who made an interesting address, in which he shows that the person who hung the lantern in the old North Church to give the signal to Brother PAUL REVERE, who made his famous "mid-night ride," was Brother JOHN PULLING.

An amendment was adopted at the June Quarterly, by a vote of 200 to four, changing the title of Past Grand Masters from "Right Worshipful" to "Most Worshipful;" and from an interesting report of a committee we learn that of the Grand Lodges of fifty States and territories in the United States forty-five retain the title of "Most Worshipful" as applied to Past Grand Masters; that "in the Grand Lodges of the thirteen original States, eleven give the title Most Worshipful to Past Grand Masters, and one (Pennsylvania) gives the title Right Worshipful to the Grand Master, which title he retains on retiring from office;" and that Massachusetts alone has a law reducing the title.

It is well to mention again that the title anciently applied in England both to the Grand Master and to the Grand Lodge was "Right Worshipful," and the old title is good enough for us in Pennsylvania.

We note two other changes in Massachusetts this year: the Proceedings come to us in one volume, and not, as formerly, in parts; and the following is omitted after the title of the Grand Lodge: "In Union with the Most Ancient and Honorable Grand Lodges in Europe and America, according to the Old Constitutions."

At the September Quarterly, the Grand Historian, Most Worshipful Brother SERENO D. NICKERSON, was present, though in feeble health, and made an address on the THOMAS CARMICK Manuscript, which had caused the dear Brother

considerable thought, but as the venerable Brother has entered into eternal life, we do not think particular attention need be paid to our late Brother's remarks. The Brother passed away in November, and a memorial was presented at the December Quarterly which rehearses a great deal of what Brother NICKERSON had written in former years regarding the history of Masonry in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. In former reports, we have pointed out some at least of the inaccuracies of the good Brother's statements, based upon so-called "records," and will not at this time return to the discussion.

We had the pleasure of meeting Brother NICKERSON several times in his office, and are glad to have a picture of him seated at his office desk.

In the memorial above noted, it did not seem well to the Committee, after speaking of "The security of Massachusetts to-day in the position of senior Sovereign Grand Lodge on this continent," to mention what the Irish Masonic scholar, our Right Worshipful Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, LL.D., Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, has said about the first three Grand Lodges, *i.e.*, England, Munster (afterwards merged into the Grand Lodge of Ireland) and Pennsylvania.

The address of the Grand Master, at the December Quarterly, as usual incorporates much that in many Jurisdictions is given in reports of Grand Officers and Committees.

Of the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters, Brother FLANDERS says:

"The fraternal courtesy and hospitality extended to the visitors by the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania were unbounded. Nothing was left undone by our Brethren in Philadelphia to make the stay of their guests agreeable and

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pleasant, and I desire to make record of the extreme courtesy and fraternal kindness with which your Grand Master was treated and that the kindly and fraternal experience of that June meeting will last with him forever.

“It was unfortunately assumed by some, and reported in the Press, that the Conference was called for the purpose of forming a National Grand Lodge, but I may say briefly and emphatically that nothing of the kind was intended and the matter would have received scant attention had it even been proposed for discussion. The feeling was so emphatically against it that it received no consideration whatever.

“Conferences were held each day, it being agreed that questions which could receive unanimous approval should be recommended for consideration by the Grand Lodges represented.

“In almost every case the recommendation conforms to our law and practice, and therefore but slight, if any, change would be necessary to put us in entire harmony with the action of the Conference.”

Great progress has been made during the year with the Masonic Home, which it was expected would be opened in the spring of 1910.

At the Stated Communication, the Grand Master was installed, and later in the day the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was duly honored with interesting addresses, in one of which, it seems at the request of his Grand Master, our good Brother, Past Grand Master GALLAGHER (whom we tried to see last June in Boston), returned to the subject of the antiquity of Masonry in Pennsylvania, which, in spite of his statement that we “haven’t ‘a leg to stand on,’ ” nevertheless seems to worry our Massachusetts Brethren considerably.

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on Jurisprudence seems likely to be authorized, we may hope that this old Jurisdiction may soon authorize a Committee on Correspondence, so that the Massachusetts Brethren may get to know something about their Brethren in other Jurisdictions.

Number of Lodges, including two new ones, 251; initiated, 2896; total membership, 56,198, a gain of 1767. Receipts, including balance of \$20,935.09, were \$115,198.60; disbursements, \$113,651.08; balance, \$1,547.52.

Most Worshipful Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, of Boston, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS W. DAVIS, of Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Michigan began its Sixty-sixth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Saginaw, on Tuesday, May 25, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ARTHUR M. HUME, Grand Master.

The afternoon was given over to a trip by special train, to Alma, to inspect a property, offered for sale, to take the place of the Masonic Home, which was destroyed by fire, February 16.

The address of the Grand Master is an admirable paper, showing a vigorous, kindly, and earnest Brother, anxious for the right.

He reports the case of a Brother, a member of one of the Lodges, who was lost in the woods, and nothing of him has been found, though a sum amounting to over \$1,600, raised by the Craft, was expended in a vain search.

Of the Philadelphia Conference, Brother HUME said, in part:

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“The purpose of this conference may not be more clearly or concisely stated than to quote from the invitation issued by the R. W. Grand Master of Pennsylvania, the following: ‘For consultation in regard to matters of importance, which affect our respective jurisdictional rights and duties, and the personal privileges of members of the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons.’

“This purpose of the conference was kept constantly at the front in all of the proceedings, and every effort put forth to eliminate or to harmonize those differences in the laws of the several Grand Jurisdictions which have caused friction or misunderstanding, and had for its ultimate object the protection and enlargement of the personal privileges of all members of the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons.

“There was accorded to the visiting Grand Masters and representatives, a most cordial reception and entertainment by the Right Worshipful Grand Master and other Grand Officers of Pennsylvania, together with many noted Masons of that Grand Jurisdiction. Social enjoyment, informal and full of good fellowship, was had by all; but under the methodical work-a-day tactics of Grand Master Orlady, no play was permitted to interrupt during working hours.

“Thoughtful consideration and free discussion were had, of many subjects of law, where a marked lack of uniformity exists in the several Grand Jurisdictions, with the result that several unanimous recommendations were made which, if adopted by the Grand Lodges, will tend materially to harmonize the laws in the Masonic jurisdictions of the United States.”

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“The atmosphere of the conference was surcharged with the ‘get-together’ spirit, and I believe that much was accomplished toward making Masonry what it should be,

i.e., universal. This work, continued, will bring us toward a common centre of fraternal brotherhood, and to that happy condition when a Michigan Mason will be 'at home' whether he be among the Masons of Texas or Maine, of California or our own Peninsular State.

"I feel, however, that the work begun in this informal way should be carried along to completion by a more definitely organized body. This may be called a Masonic Congress, or whatsoever you will, but it should be a permanent organization, composed of regularly elected or appointed representatives from each Grand Jurisdiction, meeting annually, biennially or triennially, as may seem best. This congress should have, collectively, authority to deliberate and to recommend unanimously, to all Grand Jurisdictions participating, such measures as may seem wise and beneficial to the craft, always maintaining the individuality of each jurisdiction, and the sovereign rights of its constituent lodges."

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master forms the frontispiece, and opposite we have a group of pictures of the other officers of the Grand Lodge. There is also given the portrait of Brother LOUIS BARTH, M.D., whose efficient services proved so valuable in saving the life of Grand Secretary WINSOR, as we noted in our last report, opposite being a photograph showing the engrossed resolutions presented to that worthy Brother.

The Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was recognized.

The matter of establishing a Masonic Home entirely under the control of the Grand Lodge, is to be considered by a committee.

A proposal to make St. John the Baptist's Day a "Masonic Memorial Day," was adopted in spite of an adverse report from the Committee on Jurisprudence, whose recommendation against increasing the number of "rituals"

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in the hands of officers of the Lodges was likewise overruled.

Grand Secretary WINSOR gives a list of the Lodges "according to number of members," whereby we see that Palestine Lodge, No. 357, of Detroit, leads with 1467 members, Sunfield Lodge, No. 455, of Sunfield, closing the list with 20 members.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Grand Secretary WINSOR, who, in obedience to the By-Laws of his Grand Lodge, must refrain from criticism of proceedings, as well as promulgating his opinion upon decisions, laws, and regulations of his own or any other Grand Lodge. At times doubtless this is a difficult restraint for our Brother to endure. He has prepared a full report, covering 398 pages, each larger than ours, and on many pages a smaller size type than this is used, so that our Brethren secure a great deal of reading matter.

Number of Lodges, including one new one, 412; raised, 3629; total membership, 63,022, a gain of 2323. Receipts, including balance of \$9,835.33, were \$45,062.18; disbursements \$26,129.70; balance, \$18,932.48. At the close of the session this balance was increased by about \$332, and diminished by \$6,051.18, of which \$3,237.90 was for mileage and \$2,781 for "per diem."

Most Worshipful Brother G. ROSCOE SWIFT, of Adrian, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother LOU B. WINSOR, of Reed City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MINNESOTA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota began its Fifty-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of St. Paul, on Wednesday, January 19, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother EUGENE E. SWAN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a business-like paper, telling of a busy year.

The U. S. flag ordered last year was on hand.

Grand Secretary FISHEL, referring to the regulation that the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge shall be read in the Subordinate Lodges, observes in his report: "You will perhaps be surprised to learn that not half of the Lodges pay any attention to the regulation." By requiring the date of such reading to be given in the annual returns, it is hoped to have the regulation better observed. We were *not* greatly surprised.

An interesting oration was delivered by the Grand Orator, Brother ROBERT E. DENFELD, from which we quote:

"The fact that man is by nature a religious being naturally led him to express his emotions in conjunction with those like minded. As his sympathies broadened he organized societies with simple forms and ceremonies, expressive of the awe inspired by the powers of nature and attempted in some material manner to placate the forces little understood. As the intelligence emerged from its cimmerian darkness it erected altars, temples and churches; made more rational its forms and beliefs, uniting in some mysterious manner both work and worker. Thus it may be possible in the evolution of Masonry to catch a glimpse of light, to find a dim trace of ancestry, in the mysteries of India. In all of these there was an attempt at purity of character, a recognition of dependence upon a Superior Power and a desire to deal justly with all men—probably a brotherhood marked by Osiris and Isis, the rites of Eleusis, the worship of Dionysus, the practices of the Magi and the ceremonies of the priests of stages of growth. The Dionysiac builders,

history records, traversed through Phoenesia, erecting temples, aiding, perhaps, even in the building of that wonderful monument of Hebraic reverence the Temple of Solomon; then back again to Greece; resting for a time in Egypt; and when fair Greece lay crushed beneath the iron heel of Rome, her artists, priests, and captives carried the building art, with all of its accessories, along the shores of the Mediterranean, reaching at last Imperial Rome and, under the Roman Collegia, studded in Pantheistic splendor the Seven-Hilled city with Barbaric wealth of stone in arch, temple and palace. When the Eternal City, refusing too long to accept the gentle sway of the Lowly Nazarine, lay writhing in the grasp of Vandal and Goth, the Mason builders had passed with the Roman legions to the provinces of Belgium, France and Germany, and even to the far-off shores of Britain, spreading the monuments of their labor and sowing the seed of their mysterious doctrines and practices."

The recognition ("in the absence of definite information as to the genealogy of these reputed bodies") of the German Grand Lodge Union, Italy, Cosmos, Hungary, Turkey, Belgium, Chili, Nicaragua and Greece was indefinitely postponed.

The report on Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Brother IRVING TODD, who ably summarizes the Proceedings of sixty-four Grand Lodges in eighty-two pages, rarely expressing his opinion except as to the work of his fellow reviewers.

We cannot agree with our Brother, under Illinois, that "Masonry in some countries has to be taken as we find it, not as we would like to have it"; we would not "take" it at all in dubious cases.

Pennsylvania is well summarized, "a valuable feature" of Grand Master ORLADY's address being "a condensed

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summary of early Masonic history of that Jurisdiction, some of which has not before appeared in print." We quote:

"An interesting portion of the current pamphlet is that illustrating the places of meeting of the grand lodge during the past century and a half, with views of the different buildings and the principal rooms in the present temple. The article was prepared by Bro. J. F. Sachse, librarian, and is a welcome contribution to masonic literature."

Our report is quoted from, and we learn that in Minnesota "a third petition for the degrees is a rarity and a fourth unheard of."

In 1906, we elevated (it seems without due authority) Brother TODD to the rank of a Past Grand Master, and have so classed him ever since; he disclaims being anything but a "high private"; however that may be, he takes high rank as a reviewer.

Number of Lodges, 251; initiated, 1589; total membership, 24,944, a gain of 1020. Receipts, including balance of \$13,416.19, were \$27,957.65; disbursements, \$11,023.90; balance, \$16,953.75.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. PATTON, of Duluth, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN FISHEL, of St. Paul, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MISSISSIPPI—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Mississippi, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Ninety-second Annual Communication in the Court Room, in the City of Columbus, on Tuesday, February 15, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother WILEY H. CLIFTON, Grand Master.

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The address of the Grand Master is an earnest paper, showing a zealous Brother. He is greatly pleased with the working of the District Deputy system, by which a "campaign of education" is being carried on, which will result in a few years in "an educated Craft." He refers to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences, "having for their object a closer fellowship and fraternal relationship"; and adds, "if confined to these objects, I think it would be wise for this Grand Jurisdiction to send an accredited Representative to the next general convention." We regretted that neither the Grand Master, who was expected, nor his representative, came to the Philadelphia Conference. As "exhibits" connected with the address, three letters of Grand Master ORLADY are printed, from one of which we quote:

"No one has ever thought for a moment of a National Grand Lodge being the outcome of it, as that question has been thoroughly thrashed out and has never been associated with this meeting."

At the outset of his report, Grand Secretary SPEED tells us that "all the highest places in the public service are occupied by Masons," and he thinks

"it only right and proper that the attention of Masons themselves should be turned to the indisputable fact, that with the government in Masonic hands there cannot be any great element of discord in our state for which Masonry itself would not be responsible and therefore it behooves every teacher in our Masonic Israel to inculcate amongst Masons that the great fundamental principle upon which Masonry rests is good citizenship and built upon that foundation its perpetuity is assured."

The Grand Secretary has prepared a historical register, of all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction, which so pleased the

Grand Lodge that an honorarium was voted him. It would seem that it was time such a register was prepared, for it appears that one Lodge was acting under a charter issued to another Lodge, but had none of its own; and that it was meeting in a place without any shadow of authority.

We knew the Grand Chaplain in Mississippi was given a high place on the list, and entitled "Most Reverend," but we had not noticed before that he is also entitled "Most Worshipful." We were puzzled for a moment when we read "on motion of the Junior Grand Master," of course Junior Past Grand Master is intended; perhaps the "M. W.," in connection with the Grand Chaplain, is a misprint also.

We see that it is not infrequently the case that the Deputy Grand Master, who in Mississippi is appointed by the Grand Master, may be recalled to that station by a subsequent Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge unanimously conferred upon the Grand Lecturer, Brother ALLEN M. HICKS, the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of Masons, in consideration of its appreciation of his Masonic work.

Honorary Life Members of the Grand Lodge are elected in Mississippi.

The Grand Lodge believes in taking time by the forelock, and, in accord with the Grand Master's suggestion, a committee on the celebration of the Centennial of the Grand Lodge was appointed.

The Committee appointed last year upon that part of the Grand Master's address referring to his action in the matter of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, reported, endorsing the same, and the Grand Lodge approved.

The following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, That any Mason who holds Masonic intercourse with a clandestine Mason, or visits a clandestine (and

all Negro Lodges are hereby declared clandestine) Lodge, shall be expelled, and it shall be the duty of the Grand Master to immediately arrest the charter of a Lodge that fails to enforce this law."

Hereafter an orator is to be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Grand Communication, to deliver an address to the Grand Lodge on the "history, purpose, principles, or tenets of Freemasonry." A time limit of one hour was established.

The portrait of the in-coming Grand Master appropriately forms the frontispiece.

Again the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the Lodge returns be not printed, was not adopted.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HARRY T. HOWARD, and an excellent report is *fourth*-coming. We noted our Brother's reticence in the matter of his own views, which was explained when we came to Oregon, where he said:

"We used to like to cast our fly out on the Masonic waters and make the bait so strong that the Correspondents would snap at it like a school of mackerel after minnows, but sometimes these fish having been hooked, rise up and pummel the fisherman and call him names. And again, the Grand Secretary, 'Our Fred,' blue penciled most of our diatribes, and although at first we rebelled, we now see the wisdom of leaving the stones where God meant them to be, on the ground and not sailing through the air.

"'Masonry,' said your Orator, 'is a priesthood of truth,' so we have quit baiting our hook with our own ideas."

Under Alabama, commenting upon the requirement of legitimacy of birth as a prerequisite for initiation, our Brother says:

“In the IVth of the Ancient Charges, it is said that the candidate ‘should be descended of honest parents’ and this seems to be founded upon an older regulation in which the words used are ‘and no bastard,’ this latter, Mackey disputes, but commenting, adds, ‘It is not to be doubted that formerly bastards were considered as ineligible for initiation, on the principle that they were a degraded class, excluded from the priesthood in the Jewish and early Christian church.’”

We are delighted to find Brother HOWARD is devoted to the “royal and ancient game”; we wonder if he can equal our record of “a hole in one”?

Brother HOWARD begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1908, as follows:

“Again a beautiful volume of the Proceedings, containing colored illustrations of the places of meeting of the Grand Lodge for the past century and a half, and also interior views in the present Masonic Temple, the Masonic wonder of the world.”

He then quotes the summary of our financial report, a lengthy extract from Grand Master ORLADY’S address, and some ten of his decisions. Our report is “condensed, but still full of life.”

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 343; initiated, 1349; total membership, 17,122, a gain of 673. Receipts, including balance of \$11,729.05, were \$39,820.66; disbursements, \$29,714.74; balance, \$10,105.92.

Most Worshipful Brother WALTER M. CONNER, of Hattiesburg, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother FREDERICK SPEED, of Vicksburg, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MISSOURI—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri began its Ninetieth Annual Communication at Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of St. Louis, on Tuesday, September 27, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, seven sessions being held, the evenings being given to the exemplification of the work.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. HALL, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a well-prepared paper.

Having been written to about the formation of a "Masonic Club," he suggested that there might be objection on the part of the Grand Lodge to the use of the word Masonic in that connection. No attention seems to have been paid to his letter, as the Club "was incorporated regularly under the benevolent act of the State," and a not entirely convincing report of a special Committee to whom that part of the Grand Master's address was referred, thus concludes:

"We are of the opinion that the State, having created and sanctioned this incorporation under its specific name reserved to itself the right to determine any and all grievances that might arise from the exercise of its granted powers, under and through its regularly constituted tribunals, and that this Grand Lodge should there leave it, for 'sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.'"

Another special Committee thought WASHINGTON "has a greater temple in the hearts and affections of his Brother Masons which will endure longer than any temple of brick or stone"; and, in view of the fact that one hundred thousand dollars was asked from the Missouri Brethren for an infirmary, at the Masonic Home, that it was inexpedient to

ask for contributions to the Washington Memorial Temple at Alexandria, Virginia, and the Grand Lodge agreed.

The fund for the much needed Infirmary is well under way, and toward the close of the session, Past Grand Master DOCKERY made an earnest and effective appeal for that object, which was productive of funds and subscriptions.

It is not often that Grand Secretary PARSON makes a slip, but one was made when the last Tuesday in September of 1911 is put down as September 25th. We probably should not have noticed it, were it not for the fact that we in Pennsylvania propose to celebrate the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our existence as a sovereign Grand Lodge, independent of England or any foreign body, on September 25, 1911, and it happens, curiously enough, that September 25, 1911, comes on a Monday as did September 25, 1786. We fear that we may not be able to have the pleasure of the company of Missouri's Grand Master at our celebration; we think his sorrow cannot be *bigger* than ours.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Reverend Doctor CHARLES C. WOODS, his first, we believe. He thus expresses himself in his introduction:

“I do not understand that it is my privilege to occupy any of the space allotted me in a mere exchange of Fraternal compliments with the representatives of our other Grand Lodges in the same position, and still less to indulge in mere witticism or banality. Still less do I deem myself authorized to indulge in severe criticism of any act or episode in the work of other Grand Lodges, or to declare with any pretense of finality the law and landmarks of the Order, but only to chronicle as faithfully and concisely as possible the more important thought and movement of the Masonic World, to the intent that our Brethren may be informed, in

measure, of the Fraternal History, Spirit and Expression, wherever our Order is known."

He gives his views from time to time, and selects for his Brethren interesting extracts from addresses and reports. We are with him in opposing the laying of corner-stones on Sunday, "even though it be that of a church," but cannot agree with him in ignoring the requirement of the Ancient Charge that one to be made a Mason, must be "descended of honest parents," and we cannot admit that a bastard is so descended; nor do we agree with his view of "encouraging" good men to become Masons.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed. Under the heading "The New Temple," (we must be pardoned for smiling, as the "New Temple" was dedicated September 26, 1873, thirty-seven years ago):

"The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for 1909 constitute a bulky document covering 512 pages in all, and, while well executed in many respects, yet presents some difficulties to the reviewer not familiar with their autonomy. The frontispiece is a splendid engraving of the new Temple recently dedicated, which shows it indeed to be a work of art; there are also several fine portraits of Grand Masters of the old régime; etc."

After noting "the exhaustive report" of the Committee on Masonic Homes, Brother Woods adds:

"The indications are that when this great work of our Pennsylvania Brethren is completed it will be in advance of anything of the kind hitherto attempted."

The address of Grand Master ORLADY "is a comprehensive business document," and some of its subjects are mentioned.

Grand Master GUTHRIE "addressed the Grand Lodge

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in a fitting salutatory," from which a number of extracts are made.

Brother Woods adds:

"We note with satisfaction the appointment of fifteen Grand Chaplains, which to our mind indicates either the Grand Lodge is eminently reverential and religious in character, and hence naturally desire the offices of these godly men, or else that the Grand Lodge is sorely conscious of its great need of such offices as these Brethren can furnish, and so have this large number as a matter of moral and spiritual sanitation."

Of our report, he says:

"The committee furnishes an elaborate report covering 257 pages, but does not find room for Missouri, which we lament."

We join in the lamentation, as the Missouri Proceedings for 1909 have not *yet* been received by this writer.

Number of Lodges, 611; initiated, 3,695; total membership, 51,086, a gain in chartered Lodges of 1885. Receipts, including balance of \$62,074.96, were \$127,981.32; disbursements, \$59,273.91, balance, \$68,707.41.

Most Worshipful Brother CLAY C. BIGGER, of Laclede, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN R. PARSON, of St. Louis, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MONTANA—1909.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Montana began its Forty-fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Butte, on Wednesday, September 15, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

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Most Worshipful Brother CORNELIUS D. NOLAN, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, seems to have been difficult of preparation; it gives an account of his activities, which were not so numerous as he had expected they would be, a not infrequent occurrence with those advanced to the Chair of King Solomon.

The Masonic Home Committee reported the Home finished and almost furnished and ready to receive inmates.

The Grand Lodge unanimously approved the selection of Brother FAY HEMPSTEAD, of Arkansas, as the Poet Laureate of the Masonic Fraternity in the United States.

From the address of the retiring Grand Master, in transmitting the signet ring, we quote:

“It is related in legend that the drinking glasses of the middle ages made of Venice glass shivered to pieces when there was poured into them a draught which contained poison, and the intended victim was thus protected from assassination. So here, this ring composed of unalloyed Montana gold, retaining its virgin purity and brilliancy, will remind the wearer that his conduct must be beyond reproach, and if, in an unguarded hour, and subject to human fallibility, he should perchance do aught to reflect discredit on this high office, it would indeed be well if through some talismanic power a discoloration of this ring should occur to remind him of the higher duties which the office of Grand Master entails.”

The report of Foreign Correspondence Committee is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother H. S. HEPNER, who undertook the work at the request of the Chairman, Grand Secretary HEDGES, of whom the former, under British Columbia, writes:

“His reference to the selection of Cornelius Hedges, Jr., to succeed his father as Grand Secretary pleases us, particularly in the use of the phrase

‘Le roi est mort; vive le roi.’

“It is truer than he knows; the senior Brother was a King among men, and his son tenaciously follows his footsteps; we loved the old man, and we are loving the young man; ‘Toby’ (as he is nick-named) is the finest lad in our Commonwealth; he will blush like a school-girl when he reads this, and will undertake to eliminate this remark, but we won’t let him, as it is the ‘gospel truth.’”

Brother HEPNER is grateful for the opportunity of “tasting of the sweets of the ‘round-table,’” saying:

“Our only regret is inexperience, and limited time had for the preparation of this work; we were unable to take many observations of the Masonic sky and point out many of its resplendent beauties.”

Under Florida, our Brother well says:

“Civil tribunals are established by law to enforce such rights and no Masonic lodge should arrogate unto itself, nor as a rule does it, the right to determine civil rights and liabilities.”

Our Brother, after his “trip around the Masonic world,” is more than ever delighted with his own Montana, which is as it should be.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is briefly summarized, the volume being “of special value by reason of the beautiful colored illustrations of the places of meeting of the Grand Lodge for the past century and a half and of the interior views of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia.” Our report is noted, our Brother kindly saying that one hundred pages more from the writer’s pen “would not be tiresome.”

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Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 63; initiated, 444; total membership, 5485, a gain of 394. Receipts, including balance of \$5,031.01, were \$16,781.86; disbursements, \$10,549.56; balance, \$6,232.30.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN L. CARROLL, of Butte, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CORNELIUS HEDGES, JR., of Helena, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEBRASKA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska began its Fifty-third Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Omaha, on Tuesday, June 7, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother MICHAEL DOWLING, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a careful administrator. He reports the largest number of initiations in the history of the Grand Lodge, and expresses the hope that "due care has been used in the selection of material for our Masonic edifice." Among those to whom he is under obligations he notes "R. W. George B. Orlady and R. W. George W. Guthrie, Grand Masters of Pennsylvania." On February 22, although the mercury was one and one-half degrees below zero, he laid the cornerstone of the County Court House at Omaha. He issued special dispensations to confer degrees "without regard to time" (just what that means we do not know), but admits that "none of them should have been issued!"

The Grand Orator, Brother AMBROSE C. EPPERSON, delivered the oration this year. We quote:

“The existence of a Masonic lodge in any community must have a salutary effect, otherwise it is a failure. The name ‘lodge’ as applied to the meeting place of a society, and from that to the organization itself was derived from the hut or ‘lodge’ which temporarily furnished an abiding place and a place for the meeting of the traveling Freemasons in the middle Christian age. The establishment of those lodges in any community meant that there would there be constructed, by that organized band of operative Masons, an edifice which as a work of art, would stand the test of ages, and then, and for future periods would furnish a place for the worship of God, and the teaching of Christianity. And so to-day the establishment of a Freemason’s lodge must mean the presence in that community of an institution which will make its votaries wiser, better, and consequently happier. It means more than this. It means not only that the members will receive the benefits of the institution, but it means that its votaries are taught to believe, and do believe, that the profane mass and Master Masons, together constitute one great brotherhood; and that not only does the Master Mason owe certain duties and obligations to his brother, but he owes as great a duty to his country, and to his neighbor.”

The good wishes of the Grand Lodge were given to Grand Secretary WHITE, about to take a European trip; we trust our Brother enjoyed his outing.

Nebraska must be a good place to live in; there are no less than 34 living Past Grand Masters!

The report on Correspondence is the tenth by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CHARLES J. PHELPS, who summarizes in an interesting manner, adding from time to time extracts from addresses and reports.

Our Brother has no fears about Lodges attending Church, saying, “We have never, in a good many years’ experience,

seen the slightest evidence of its 'creating discord in the Lodge.' "

A page and a half are given to Pennsylvania for 1909, and extracts are given from Grand Master ORLADY's address. Our "very full and ably written" report is noted.

Number of Lodges, 244; initiated, 1277; total membership, 17,886, a gain of 767. Receipts, including balance of \$21,423.54, were \$51,727.18; disbursements, \$26,892.69; balance, \$24,834.49.

Most Worshipful Brother HARRY A. CHENEY, of Creighton, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FRANCIS E. WHITE, of Omaha, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEVADA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada began its Forty-sixth Annual Grand Communication in Masonic Temple, in the City of Reno, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK H. NORCROSS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait (showing a decoration not Masonic) forms the frontispiece, records the activities of a vigilant Grand Officer. He regretted his absence from the Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters, and, referring to that and the Philadelphia Conference, believes them "to be productive of great value to Masonry in general."

Referring to the meeting of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 22, 1909, to inaugurate a movement for the erection of a memorial to Washington, the Grand Master says:

"That Washington was deeply imbued with the prin-

ciples of Masonry may be evidenced from the fact that he received his oath of office as President of the United States with his hand resting upon the Holy Bible taken from St. John's Lodge No. 1 of New York and later laid the corner stone of the Capitol of this great Nation with all the honors of Masonry."

We are afraid we cannot attach much value to the evidence produced to show that WASHINGTON was "deeply imbued with the principles of Masonry"; we quote from the Memorial Volume of the Washington Sesqui-Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, at page 151:

"Shortly before the [inaugural] ceremonies were to begin, it was found that there was no suitable Bible at hand upon which to take the oath of office. It happened that one of the aids of Colonel Morgan Lewis, the chief marshal of the day, was Major Jacob Morton, who was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, and also Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, which held its meeting in the City Assembly Rooms nearby, on Broadway (No. 115, where the Boreel Building now stands), and he sent a messenger for the Lodge's Bible and the cushion upon which it rested, and upon this sacred volume Washington for the first time took the oath as President, which was administered to him by the Chancellor of the State of New York, Brother the Honorable Robert R. Livingston, who was at the time Right Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of New York."

Under "Clandestine Masonry," the Grand Master writes:

"A few clandestine or spurious Lodges have been ascertained to have an existence in California. Our relations are so close with that State that it is important for our local Lodges to be aware of their existence, that they or the brethren may the more easily avoid imposition.

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“ It has occasionally happened in California as in other States, where these bodies have had their short-lived existence, that a number of good men have unfortunately been deceived into becoming identified with them. Later on, discovering that they have been imposed upon, have petitioned to be elected to receive the degrees in a regular Lodge. How to deal with this character of petitioners is a matter of some importance. This question was considered at length at the conference of Grand Masters held in Philadelphia in June of last year, and was discussed by the Grand Masters of Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Illinois, Michigan, Georgia, and Florida and a recommendatory resolution was unanimously adopted, approving the form of renunciation in use in Pennsylvania and required from petitioners who have been identified with clandestine bodies, to accompany their petition for the Degrees.

“ I recommend the adoption of the same or substantially the same form of renunciation, for use in this State upon proper occasion.”

This form of renunciation was adopted with slight change, an affidavit being required, instead of a statement.

Brother NORCROSS expressed his appreciation of the excellent work of Brother VANDERLIETH in his report on Correspondence.

The project of a general celebration of the bicentenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England on St. John the Baptist's Day, 1917, was approved. Grand Lodge Cosmos of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, was refused recognition, as was the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina; recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, Mexico, and it was decided that Nevada “ cannot retain its fraternal relations with Belgium with exchange of Representatives so long as she suppresses in her ritual the recognition of God.”

On the afternoon of the second day, the cornerstone of

the County Court House at Reno was laid with impressive Masonic ceremonies.

The name of our Past Grand Master BROWN appears in the pages "set apart to the memory of Grand and Past Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions whose deaths have been reported during the year."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Commissioner of Review, Brother EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, who once more prepares the whole report, and it is done in his usual helpful and informing way.

We are inclined to think our good Brother Commissioner is disposed to take some historical statements relating to Masonry too seriously. Under Delaware, we quote him as follows:

"Mitchell tells us how Henry VII., by virtue of his office as Protector, appointed Wardens, and, on the assembling of the Craft a grand procession was formed, under charge of the King, who walked to the east of Westminster Abbey and there laid the cornerstone of the King's Chapel, according to the ancient usages of the Order."

Doubtless MITCHELL based his statements upon the following, from ANDERSON'S "Constitutions of 1738" (it is, to say the least, remarkable that the "Constitutions of 1723" are silent on this and many, many other historical matters):

"The Grand Master and Fellows of the Order of St. John at Rhodes (now at Malta) assembled at their Grand Lodge, chose King Henry [Henry VII.] their Protector, A.D. 1500.

"The Royal Grand Master chose for his Wardens of England the foresaid John Islip, Abbot of Westminster, and Sir George Bray Knight of the Garter, or Deputies, by whom the King summon'd a Lodge of Masters in the Palace, with whom he walk'd in Ample Form to the East End of West-

minster Abbey, and levell'd the Footstone of his famous Chapel on June 24, 1502."

Unfortunately, the records do not bear out Brother ANDERSON, the cornerstone having been laid on January 24, 1503. Dean STANLEY, in his "Historical Memorials of Westminster Abbey," volume 2, page 198, writes:

"In the eighteenth year of his [Henry VII's] reign [1503], 'on the 24th day of January at a quarter of an hour before three of the clock at afternoon of the same day,' the first stone of the new chapel was laid by Abbot Islip, Sir Reginald Bray the architect and others,"

the Dean giving as authorities for his quotation "Neale, ii, 6; Holinshed, iii, 529." The writer has seen the statement that investigation has shown that King HENRY was not in London on June 24, 1502, and, therefore, could not have "walked in ample Form" with the Lodge of Masters. Had he done so, there would have been full statements of the fact in contemporary records.

We are pleased to find our Brother so strong in his views as to appearing in public in Masonic clothing. On making a Mason at sight, our good Brother also has his views: "Ohio says its all right. Nevada says its all wrong." We must agree with Ohio.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is summarized; Grand Master ORLADY's address was "very complete, earnest and interesting," and a number of extracts are made. Our report is kindly noticed, being "able and vigorous," and our comments, "crisp and concise."

Number of Lodges, 25; initiated, 145; total Master Masons, 1681, a gain of 108. Receipts, including balance of \$3466.81, were \$5705.41; disbursements, \$2367.51; balance, \$3337.90.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES C. DOUGHTY, of Elko, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWAKE, of Carson City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEW BRUNSWICK—1909.

THE Grand Lodge of the Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick began its Forty-second Annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Saint John, on Tuesday, August 24, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother Lieutenant Colonel JOHN S. D. CHIPMAN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master was brief, and he regretted to have to explain his disappointment in the failure to carry out his plans for visiting the Lodges not visited his first year. The financial condition of the Grand Lodge was better than ever reported. An excellent suggestion that \$200 be set at the disposal of the Grand Master to furnish instruction to the Lodges, was adopted.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was recognized.

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Number of Lodges, 37; initiated, 202; total membership, 2770, a gain of 89. Receipts, including balance of \$2648.70, were \$5757.20; disbursements, \$1081.33; balance, \$3175.87.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY S. BRIDGES, of Saint John, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother J. TWINING HARTT, of Saint John, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Hampshire held its Semi-Annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Manchester, on Tuesday, December 28, A.D. 1909.

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Most Worshipful Brother FREDERICK WILLIS SAWYER,
Grand Master.

Welcome visitors were the Grand Master of Vermont, Most Worshipful Brother LEE S. TILLOTSON, and Grand Secretary ROSS, of the same Jurisdiction. At the Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Concord, on Wednesday, May 18, 1910, the Grand Master of Massachusetts, Most Worshipful Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, was a distinguished visitor, and was accompanied by Recording Grand Secretary DAVIS, of the same Jurisdiction.

The address of the Grand Master is another well prepared paper. An unusual number of deaths had occurred among the members of the Grand Lodge, to whom the Grand Master paid due tribute, and their portraits are given in the Proceedings. Among them we note that of Brother GEORGE PERLEY CLEAVES, whom we knew very pleasantly for a number of years when we were domiciled in the Old Granite State.

Of the Philadelphia Conference, Brother SAWYER said:

“It was one of the most remarkable Masonic gatherings ever held in the United States, including as it did the Grand Masters of all jurisdictions east of the Mississippi, and holding them together for work and pleasure for a period of three days.”

and

“Almost a year has passed since the Philadelphia conference adjourned, but its memories are with me still and the inspiration derived there has been of incalculable benefit to me in my administration during the past year.

“In presiding over the deliberations of the conference Grand Master ORLADY showed such wisdom in Masonic affairs, such deference to opinion of others, such tact and

skill in harmonizing differences, and withal such a kindly fraternal spirit in all our discussions, that we were inspired with a peculiar love and respect for him.

“The visiting Grand Masters were entertained in a most lavish manner by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and nothing was left undone which might have added to our pleasure and comfort.”

He commended the project of a monument to be erected in Concord to Major General JOHN SULLIVAN, who was the first Grand Master of Masons in New Hampshire.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, the new Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HARRY M. CHENEY, his fourth.

From his Introduction we quote:

“The task of reading all these different Grand Lodge proceedings, and then presenting to our New Hampshire readers, for whom they are written, a fairly good statement of the chief things done, is by no means a real easy task. Yet, though requiring much in the way of time, it is a task at once pleasant and profitable. Somehow it makes one feel that he has gained a Masonic acquaintance with the other reviewers, even to the most distant parts of the globe. Names, faces, never seen in the flesh, come to be as familiar as many whom we meet in the frequent gatherings of the home Lodge. It creates a pleasure that has no counterpart in Masonic labor, and this, to us, is where we gain our greatest compensation. The knowledge, the inspiration, always gained in this work, is a great satisfaction, but the contact, almost personal, with the brilliant men who are doing for their brethren the very things we are trying to do for our own, reaches to the very depths of joy and satisfaction.”

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We think our dear Brother has adopted a too strict rule in saying "not a thing will we print—good or bad," about what other reviewers say concerning him and his work.

Brother CHENEY differs very widely with Brother BLOCK of Iowa, saying, "Don't put the air-brakes on anybody going to church."

Our Brother tells us that their method of trial by a trial commission, appointed by the Grand Master, has been such a success that "you couldn't drive us back to Lodge trials." Our experience in that line has been so exceedingly limited that we do not express any opinion. We agree with him in thinking that a Church should not ask to have a cornerstone laid with Masonic ceremonies on a Sunday.

Pennsylvania for 1908 and 1909 are well summarized, and the important matters noted. Brother CHENEY will be interested to know that, while we think, as before, it would be well if it were generally understood that the views expressed in the reports on Correspondence, when written by one Brother, were those of the writer, and did not necessarily express the views of the Grand Lodge to which he belonged, yet, on account of the "average reader," as Brother CHENEY phrases it, we shall expect generally to refrain from expressing, in these reports, views not in accord with what is the law in this Jurisdiction.

Number of Lodges, 80; initiated, 434; total membership, 10,260, a gain of 171. Receipts, including balance of \$4,982.52, and \$1,800 "money hired," were \$15,797.07; disbursements, \$12,040.05; balance, \$3,753.02.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWIN F. JONES, of Manchester, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HARRY M. CHENEY, of Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Jersey began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication at Masonic Hall, in the City of Trenton, on Wednesday, April 20, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, five sessions being held, one being for the exemplification of the work.

Most Worshipful Brother J. CLARENCE CONOVER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose engraved portrait forms the frontispiece of the rather portly volume of Proceedings, after a thoughtful and uplifting introduction, reports fully his activities, and makes some well-considered recommendations.

Under "Visitations to Sister Jurisdictions," the Grand Master says:

"To the Philadelphia conference held June 1st, 2d and 3d, there was invited the Grand Masters of all the States east of the Mississippi river, and there were present the Grand Masters of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, South Carolina, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and representatives of the Grand Masters of the District of Columbia, Florida and Georgia, making nineteen jurisdictions represented, perhaps the largest assemblage of Grand Masters representing different jurisdictions ever held in the United States, up to that time. A more interesting or delightful occasion could hardly be imagined.

"Grand Master Orlady devoted himself, as host, to the entertainment of his guests and left nothing to be desired.

"Following our invitation we reported to the Bellevue-Stratford, our headquarters, when we were not at their

magnificent Masonic Temple, the pride and joy of every Pennsylvania Mason, in which New Jersey begs leave to join. Here our conferences were held in the splendidly-decorated Egyptian room and conclusions reached on Masonic matters of common interest, which differ but little from the law and practice of our own jurisdiction.

“One evening we spent in the Temple seeing the Pennsylvania work, which was most handsomely done by brethren who knew how to do it; but I must confess even our distinguished custodian of the New Jersey ritual would have had to learn it all over again to do the Pennsylvania work, as these sister jurisdictions have not the same work.

“A banquet followed. Indeed, I can think of no occasion while there, that such entertainment was not on the program, but notwithstanding the numerous charming feasts, I returned home without serious injury to my digestive organs.

“A visit to the Grand Lodge and an auto trip for the Grand Masters were two other features of our entertainment.

“Indeed, in a word, if there was anything these Pennsylvania brethren failed to do to make our visit a delightful one, the Grand Master of New Jersey cannot think of it now.”

Our Brother gives some sound advice regarding “the most harmful and vicious practice” of electioneering.

The Grand Master of Delaware, Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD B. MODE, was a welcome visitor, being accompanied by a number of his Brethren.

The report of the Committee on Necrology, with its well-selected poetic quotations, will please our Iowa Brethren, as well as others. In the report of the Masonic Home, we note the following:

“The children were taken to the seashore and given other entertainments.

“The old people were taken to Philadelphia, ten at a time, in a boat, and treated to their satisfaction, and apparent enjoyment.”

Perhaps it was thought that Philadelphia would be too exciting for the children. This would seem to be proof positive of the wrongfulness of the advice said to have been given by a New York doctor to his patient, who needed rest and quiet, that he should go to the City of Brotherly Love.

The same report says, “We are under obligations to the Pennsylvania Hospital and Jefferson Hospital of Philadelphia for favors in taking care of sick ones from here.”

It would seem in New Jersey that the Grand Lodge is opened in “ample form” when opened by a District Deputy Grand Master, just as when opened by the Grand Master in person.

It was deemed inexpedient to recognize the Grand Lodges in Nicaragua, San Salvador, and Dominica.

In view of the following statement in a special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence (*italics ours*):

“In countries knowing no other system of organized Masonry, and wherein it has prevailed for many years, Supreme Councils of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry have *relinquished their suzerainty* over the first three degrees of the Rite.”

we may refer to what we have quoted under New Mexico, in this report, on the subject, whereby it appears that the views of the late lamented Brothers, JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND and ALBERT PIKE, do not agree with those of the New Jersey Committee.

It seemed best to the Grand Lodge to adopt as a new general regulation the following:

“The use of any book, document, or paper, written or

printed, or in cipher, purporting to be the secret ritual of Free Masonry, is absolutely prohibited."

Hereafter in New Jersey, in German Lodges the work is to be conferred in German *only*.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is again from the facile pen of Brother ROBERT A. SHIRREFS, with the exception of the reviews of the eight German Grand Lodges, which are the work of Brother ADOLPH KLEE.

Brother SHIRREFS' report is largely written, the scissors playing an inconspicuous part, and his comments are given in his characteristically happy manner.

He tells us that New Jersey "survives despite the fact, not yet discovered by our negrophobic brethren," that one of her Grand Masters not so long ago was "of African nativity," but just where he saw the light, is not indicated. Africa is a large country.

Under Colorado, our Brother truthfully writes:

"They [in Colorado] are also to amend the regulations so that officers of the U. S. Navy sojourning at the 'Station of the U. S. Navy in Colorado' may be eligible, some term of qualifying residence within the jurisdiction being the present obstacle. We had supposed that Switzerland and Colorado were on an even keel as to naval stations, but one learns much from Masonic proceedings that the thoughtless would not suspect."

and again, under the same Jurisdiction, referring to Brother GREENLEAF (we trust that there is no *arriere pensée* in Brother SHIRREFS' remarks):

"His Masonic acumen is disclosed by his abstention from invidious remark, but he is evidently aware that New Jersey is not nigrescent, or perhaps that Colorado Claro may by simple objection exclude a Maduro from any other state."

Under Iowa, our Brother calls attention to a fact of great interest:

“ Brother Block writes with a genial courtesy and such close examination of the records that a slight lapse is excusable. He was probably interrupted while dictating to his stenographer, as he intimates often occurred while preparing his report. What ho? Brethren of the Guild; we have at last in our midst a man who dictates to his stenographer. Glory, Amen and Selah! ”

Pennsylvania for 1908 is considered, our Brother beginning:

“ The abstract of proceedings for the year covers the usual quarterlies and the annual grand communication. The portrait of Grand Master George B. Orlady is a fine presentation *per curiam* of a face in which we find no suggestion of judicial austerity, and yet from which one may quite readily understand how it came about, when a District Deputy Grand Master misrepresented his chief that ‘ the place which knew that Deputy then knoweth him no more, ’ as told in the address. ”

Grand Master ORLADY’S address “ is literally fascinating by its wealth of matter purporting to be historic, relevant to the rise and progress of Masonry in Pennsylvania. ” (We may note, though hardly necessary, that the types make the date our Brother quotes read 1827 in place of 1727.)

We quote:

“ A superb feature is the supplement to the journal by Brother Sachse, the Grand [Lodge] Librarian, of explanatory notes of the illustrations of the places of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the past century and a half, with some interior views of the present magnificent edifice. During the year Brother Sachse had visited Europe

and the Library committee reported the result of his search for and acquisition of rarely interesting material for the library and museum."

Referring to our limited space, our Brother says that this writer

"made the most of the space and could have doubled his opportunity had he not steadfastly held to his courtly habit of transcribing the magniloquent titles of his official brethren in every state, in full. He dealt with New Jersey for 1908, comprehensively, although with necessary brevity. He nearly succeeded in bringing a blush to the modest cheek of a reader by his report on the proceedings of a sensitive Southern sister state by expressing his hope that Miss Birdie Wade (for whose relief a subscription had been taken up) had not suffered from a disability which would prevent her from the special activity suggested by her name."

Number of Lodges, 186; raised, 2050; total membership, 31,424, a gain of 1497. Receipts, including balance of \$22,733.82, were \$55,440.66; disbursements, \$28,535.62; balance "deposited in three banks," \$26,905.04.

Most Worshipful Brother ALLTON H. SHERMAN, of Orange, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN F. WAKEFIELD, of Trenton, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEW MEXICO—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of New Mexico began its Thirty-second Annual Communication in the hall of Temple Lodge, No. 6, in the City of Albuquerque, on Monday, October 18, A.D. 1909, and closed two days later, six sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother CHESTER D. STEVENS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a long and carefully prepared paper. The year had been "a prosperous and peaceful one." He reported numerous decisions, one being that a member of a Lodge may not cast his vote by proxy at the annual election of officers, and that an "applicant who is of Indian blood, say one half or more, and whose physical appearance plainly shows his ancestry," may be received. Some Brothers were of an inquiring turn of mind.

We quote from the address:

"I am in receipt of a copy of the proceedings of a conference of Grand Masters, held at Philadelphia, Pa., on June 1, 2 and 3, 1909, and to which all of the Grand Masters east of the Mississippi river were invited to be present. I believe meetings of this nature among the Grand Masters could be made the means of doing a great deal of good, by suggesting means whereby the laws of the different Jurisdictions might be brought to conform on points where they now conflict; no one except a person who has held the position of Grand Master can fully realize the importance of more uniformity in these matters. However, I believe that this should be a matter solely among the Grand Masters, and would be strongly opposed to the Grand Lodges themselves taking any part officially in these conferences, for in so doing it might become a wedge toward the formation of a Universal or General Grand Lodge. I do favor, however, the meeting of the Grand Masters."

There is to be a Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws hereafter.

A protest was adopted against removing the body of Brother KIT CARSON from its present resting place, at Taos, New Mexico.

From the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address we quote:

“Regarding the proposed convention of Grand Masters we are willing to admit that such a convention might be productive of good in reconciling apparent conflicts of Masonic Law, but we do not believe that any other good can be attained by such conference, certainly the implied formation of a Supreme Grand Lodge is, in our opinion, impracticable and useless.”

Where “the *implied* formation of a Supreme Grand Lodge ” is to be found, we do not know.

A most interesting and gratifying proceeding, just before the Grand Lodge closed, was the presentation to Grand Secretary KEEN of a silver service, “as an evidence of the esteem and affection in which he is held by the Grand Lodge for services rendered during the past twenty-five years.”

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JAMES H. WROTH, who tells us that he has thought it “advisable to keep his own personal opinion in the background.”

He emphasizes “the extreme discrepancy existing between all Jurisdictions as to the definition of Masonic crimes.”

We quote, with pleasure, the following:

“If it is the tendency of modern thought to conform Free Masonry to modern ideas, this is all well and good; if we intend to turn our Craft into a town meeting or a ward caucus this tendency is proper; but upon the contrary, if we intend and desire to keep the Craft as it has been in the past a beacon light for unhampered thought, intellectual discussion and honest belief; if it is the intention to make Masonry what it should be—a power to uplift and raise man to a higher standard, then it becomes absolutely vital that we should stick to the old ideals, to the laws, no matter how antiquated they are, to our Ancient Charges, and our present Installation services, deliberately

state that 'some are born to rule and others to obey.' In the inexorable law of Masonry, he who is Master to-day may be Tyler to-morrow, and it is only by obeying the fundamental law by which we should all be guided that we can accept either the elevation or depression."

Under Illinois, referring to Scottish Rite Masonry, our Brother says:

"The Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States gave up of their own free will the right to confer the three symbolic degrees."

Our Brother differs with Brothers JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND and ALBERT PIKE. We quote, as we did last year, from Brother BROWN, of South Dakota:

"Brother Robbins keeps it before our minds, as it should be kept, that Scottish Rite Masonry has no right to confer the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry, giving his authority as the Grand Commanders of the two Supreme Councils Northern and Southern, Josiah H. Drummond and Albert Pike that no such claim can be founded on their Constitution. There is no doubt of the truth of these statements."

Pennsylvania for 1908 is summarized. Our Brother says:

"Pennsylvania's treasury makes us violate one of the Commandments—it is too big for the rest of us. Just think, a Library that spends \$10,000 a year."

Much of Grand Master ORLADY'S address "is historical and would bear perusal by any Masonic student."

After quoting some decisions, Brother WROTH adds:

"It is understood that the decisions of a Grand Master in Pennsylvania stand good without criticism by the Grand

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Lodge until a succeeding Grand Master makes a different one. How does this strike some of the newer Jurisdictions? Evidently the microbe of legislation in Pennsylvania is pretty well disinfected."

We regret that we misspelled the name of our good Brother, who speaks well of our work.

Number of Lodges, not stated, but we think they number, including five under dispensation, 38; initiated, 223; total membership, 2128, a gain of 253. Receipts, \$3,970; disbursements, \$3,532.29; balance, \$437.71.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK JOHNSON, of San Marcial, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALPHAEUS A. KEEN, of Albuquerque, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEW SOUTH WALES—1909.

THE United Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held six Communications "for the year ended June," A.D. 1909: four Quarterly, on September 9, and December 9, 1908, and March 10, and June 9, 1909, and two Special Communications, the first on July 21, 1908, for the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers, and the second on June 8, 1909, for the nomination of the Grand Lodge Officers, all being held in the Masonic Hall, Sydney, except the March Quarterly, which was held in the Town Hall in that City.

His Excellency Most Worshipful Brother Admiral SIR HARRY HOLDSWORTH RAWSON, G.C.B., Grand Master.

At the September Quarterly, a tablet to the memory of the late Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Lieutenant Colonel JOHN COCHRANE REMINGTON, was unveiled, when a just tribute was paid by the Grand Master.

The March Quarterly was attended by three thousand,

six hundred Brethren, it being the last Communication that the Grand Master would be able to preside over, as he was soon to retire from his office as Governor of the State, and return to England. During his four years as Grand Master, 13 new Lodges had been constituted and 5656 Master Masons' certificates had been issued and the funds of the Grand Lodge had made substantial gains.

The Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON, presented the Grand Master, on behalf of the Jurisdiction, with a loving cup "made of Australian gold, by Australian workmen, and enclosed in a case made of Australian wood." A bracelet of Australian gems was also given to the Grand Master to be presented to his daughter. The Grand Master made grateful acknowledgment of the gifts of his Brethren.

It appeared that "the Colonial instructions to Governors embody a very strict article, which says that no Governor or their families are allowed to receive any presents and they hold the Governors responsible to see that their families do not receive them." It was pointed out that this did not apply to a Governor leaving the country for good, but that, on permission from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which was given in this case, they might be received.

The Grand Bard, Brother WILLIAM H. ORE, wrote a "farewell" from which we quote:

"He leaves us now, with honour girdled crest,
To pass from service to deserved rest.
For many years may he that rest enjoy
Without distraction or a sad alloy.
We pray that God, the Architect Divine,
Round him and his, His wreaths of love may twine:
And keep their memories, supremely clear,
Of pleasant happenings amongst us here.
And, Brethren, when the closing gavels fall
All we assembled in this spacious hall—
Though hearts beat fast, and moisture dim the eye—
Will 'stand to order' as a mute 'good bye.'"

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At the June Special, it was expected that the new Governor of the State, LORD CHELMSFORD, would be nominated for Grand Master without opposition but another Brother having been nominated, LORD CHELMSFORD's nomination was withdrawn. The question of LORD CHELMSFORD's eligibility was about to be raised, but no discussion was permitted.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, who in this Jurisdiction are elected (the numbers in the parentheses after the names indicating the number of reviews prepared by each), and who are Brothers THOMAS LEES ROWBOTHAM (4), THOMAS GREEN (2), A. HALLORAN (14), A. WUNDERLICH (7) and L. WHITFIELD (17). We find eleven reviews were prepared by "G. C. K.," six by "W. F. S." and one by "C. G. K.," but do not find whom these initials represent. The reviews are well prepared, and interesting extracts are made.

Pennsylvania is missing from the report; why, we do not know.

Number of Lodges, 224; initiated, 1759; total membership, 13,768. Receipts, including balance of \$25,223, were \$43,551; disbursements, \$12,724; balance, \$30,827.

Most Worshipful Brother H. MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON, of Sydney, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother ARTHUR H. BRAY, of Sydney, Grand Secretary, continued.

NEW YORK—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York began its One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, City of New York, on Tuesday, May 3, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL NELSON SAWYER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, after an impressive and eloquent opening, gives a detailed account of his acts, showing a clear grasp of the somewhat perplexing conditions in connection with the Masonic Hall property.

Under "Foreign Relations," Brother SAWYER gives Grand Master ORLADY's letter of March 13, 1909, extending the invitation to the Philadelphia Conference, as to which the former says, "Unfortunately my engagements were such as to preclude the possibility of participating in that Conference." He attended the Baltimore Conference, and gives the abstract of the proceedings of that body regarding a National or Supreme Grand Lodge. Our Brother seems to think that by its assenting to one of the unanimous recommendations of the Philadelphia Conference, Pennsylvania was giving up what has often been termed "perpetual jurisdiction," but such is not the case. In connection with his address the Grand Master gives a full account of the ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the Chapel at Utica in connection with the Masonic Home or Asylum, most of the credit of procuring such a needed addition being due to Grand Master SAWYER.

The engraved portraits are those of Right Worshipful Brother JOHN S. BROWNRIGG, Senior Grand Warden, 1781-1783, and of Right Worshipful Brother JOHN WELLS, Grand Secretary, 1805-1816. We are glad Brother EHLERS adds the titles of the Brethren whom the portraits represent, as in former years we have had some difficulty to find just why the particular Brethren were portrayed.

The Grand Historian continues his interesting and valuable work, but just why his report should be styled that of the "Historian," while the reports of the "*Grand Librarian*" and the "*Grand Lecturer*" are given fully, is not clear; doubtless it is a typographical error.

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The following "Preamble" is to be printed as a preface to the new Constitution adopted last year, and published therewith but not as part thereof:

"PREAMBLE.

"As an expression of the simplest form of the faith of Masonry, not exhaustive, but incontrovertible and suggestive, the following is

"THE MASONIC BELIEF.

"There is one God, the Father of all men.

"The Holy Bible is the Great Light in Masonry, and the Rule and Guide for faith and practice.

"Man is immortal.

"Character determines destiny.

"Love of man is, next to love of God, man's first duty.

"Prayer, communion of man with God, is helpful.

"Recognizing the impossibility of confining the teaching of Masonry to any fixed forms of expression, yet acknowledging the value of authoritative statements of fundamental principles, the following is proclaimed as

"THE MASONIC TEACHING.

"Masonry teaches man to practice charity and benevolence, to protect chastity, to respect the ties of blood and friendship, to adopt the principles and revere the ordinances of religion, to assist the feeble, guide the blind, raise up the downtrodden, shelter the orphan, guard the altar, support the Government, inculcate morality, promote learning, love man, fear God, implore His mercy and hope for happiness."

A valuable feature is the report of the Judge Advocate, with his opinions and those of his predecessor, the first Judge Advocate, containing a great store of information, and an adequate index to the same is given.

A delightful feature was the presence of nearly one hundred children from the Masonic Home at Utica, "in age from two to seventeen," who rendered an interesting programme, on the afternoon of the second day. As one result, we quote the following:

"At this juncture of the morning session R.: W.: GEORGE J. KRAUS, District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth Masonic District, familiarly known as the Dandy Fifth, feelingly and eloquently referred to the presence of the children on the preceding day, and requested the privilege of donating one hundred dollars from the Masters of the Fifth District for the benefit of the children at the Home, an additional one hundred dollars from a man who was not a Mason, but who had been impressed by the sight of the Home children the day before, an additional one hundred dollars from a member of Munn Lodge, and one hundred dollars from himself. The scene after this announcement beggars description. Scores of Brethren were on their feet at once, District after District, Lodge after Lodge, and individual after individual, asked the privilege to contribute, until the sum of \$10,065 had been subscribed."

subsequently increased to over \$17,000.00.

A marble bust of our friend, the venerable Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Honorary Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, was presented to the Grand Lodge by Howard Lodge, No. 35, in recognition of that dear Brother's twenty-nine years of service as Grand Secretary, the bust being the work of the Master of the Lodge, Brother GUTZON BORGLUM; from the photograph, we think our Brother has "worked well."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is in the main the work of Right Worshipful Brother JOHN W. JENKINS, the Chairman; "his first offense" he calls it for the Grand Lodge, but his hand has acquired practice in preparing the

Correspondence report of his Grand Commandery; Brother EMIL FRANKEL has as usual prepared the reviews of the Jurisdictions in the non-English speaking countries; and, as we said before, where our good Brother EMANUEL LOWENSTEIN comes in, we do not know.

Brother JENKINS has prepared an excellent report, abounding in interesting excerpts. We are glad to find ourself so often in agreement with his views. He likes reticence in giving the names of the recipients of Masonic charity; favors "short, crispy reports" on Correspondence; is opposed to the establishment of a general Grand Lodge, and thinks clergymen should pay for their initiation like the rest of us, and that a signet ring is better than a Grand Master's private seal, "as it is always worn on the person of the Grand Master."

We note a difference of opinion between Brother JENKINS, who says that his Grand Lodge recognizes the Grand Lodge of France, and Brother FRANKEL, who says that it does not; so there you are.

Brother JENKINS stands up for the Grand Secretary of "the Imperial Jurisdiction of New York," as he calls it, and his manner of preparing a volume of Proceedings. The New York Proceedings certainly are ponderous, weighing nearly four pounds, in paper cover, and comprising 928 pages, and as they, we see, are "Ordered to be Read in All the Lodges," we trust under their new Constitution a lectern is provided in every Lodge.

While we doubt not Brother EHLERS knows his Lodge list backward as well as forward, we venture to think that some of the Brethren,—we speak from experience,—could find lists of the Lodges, arranged alphabetically according to their names and according to their places of meeting, very helpful in this great Jurisdiction. Such lists would be useful in all the larger Jurisdictions.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is reviewed. We quote:

"We count ourselves particularly favored in being in possession of the Journal of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the year 1908.

"It is a compendium of Masonic History of Pennsylvania since its inception and is invaluable as a Masonic reference in connection with Freemasonry in that Grand Jurisdiction. Beautifully colored illustrations of the several homes of the Grand Lodge adorn its pages and carry us back to the days of yore, long before we had even thought of joining the Fraternity. We shall value it highly and cherish it faithfully.

"Pennsylvania meets quarterly; we would like to roam through all the details of the four communications, but our space is limited and we are denied the privilege. We are only permitted to enjoy a cursory glance at its voluminous pages, dig out what we think will be of interest to our New York Brethren, and pass on.

"The Proceedings are rich in interest to the Masonic scholar, and one is in a quandary, not what to select for comment, but what to omit.

"The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is the third largest Grand Lodge in the world, and while its membership is only about one-half of our own Jurisdiction, its power in the Fraternity is far-reaching and potent. We acknowledge its power, and graciously accord it all the honor due its position as one of the leading Jurisdictions of the Masonic world.

"It is not our purpose to take up the questions that engaged its attention *seriatim* (we would we had the privilege), but owing to the magnitude of its machinery, we are compelled to eliminate many things which appeal to us personally, but which, we realize, may not enter a report of this character.

"We had expected to enjoy the personal presence of Grand Master ORLADY at the dinner of the Masonic veterans

of New York, last January, where he was listed as one of the speakers of the evening, and it was with much regret that we learned that he was 'under the weather' and would be unable to respond. We trust that ere this he has recovered his wonted health and strength, and will be spared to the Fraternity for many years to come."

Brother ORLADY is in good health, we are glad to say.
Brother JENKINS continues:

"We must confess a feeling of surprise that there has never been a Masonic Home in Pennsylvania up to the present writing. We had always supposed that a Grand Jurisdiction of the size and importance of Pennsylvania had long ago arranged for this adjunct to Freemasonry, and while we do not doubt but that the worthy of the Craft have been properly cared for on Masonic lines, we had supposed that a Home had been maintained by the Craft in that Grand Jurisdiction.

"This has been satisfactorily explained, however, and with much gratification, we admit, on correct principles. The debt on the beautiful Masonic Temple in Philadelphia has long hovered as a black cloud over its roof, and not until that had been satisfactorily settled did they feel that they ought to assume new obligations.

"Behold! the debt is lifted; and not a penny of indebtedness hangs over its head to-day. And now they are ready for new enterprises, they seek new fields to conquer, and naturally the next proposition is to establish a Masonic Home. Our Pennsylvania Brethren are nothing if not practical, and the moment they find themselves free from debt they reach out to benefit the unfortunate of the Craft.

"One of the most comprehensive reports that it has ever been our privilege to peruse fully sets forth the situation in all its details, and we congratulate the committee having

the matter in charge on the masterful manner in which they have handled the proposition.

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“We wish our Pennsylvania Brethren God speed in their enterprise, and we have every reason to believe that success, assured and unqualified, will crown their efforts in this very laudable attempt to practise that beneficence for which the Fraternity stands.”

Our Brother expresses surprise that there has never been a Masonic Home before in Pennsylvania. We may say for his information that there is and has been for about twenty-five years a most helpful and valuable institution known as “The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania,” but it is not under the control of the Grand Lodge. This great charity will in time come under the jurisdiction and government of the Grand Lodge, after proper steps have been taken to preserve and safeguard its charitable trusts.

Our report is noted, our Brother kindly saying, “We do not understand why our Committee failed (for two years) to notice Pennsylvania’s report on Correspondence; it is too good to be overlooked.”

Number of Lodges, 791; initiated, 9380; total Master Masons, 163,341, a gain of 5240, as we figure it, Grand Secretary EHLERS not supplying the information. Receipts, including balance of \$50,000.00, were \$252,666.97; disbursements, \$202,742.78; balance, \$49,924.19.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT JUDSON KENWORTHY, of Brooklyn, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, of New York, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NEW ZEALAND—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of New Zealand held its Twenty-first Annual Communication in the Town Hall, at Wellington, on Wednesday, May 11, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency the Governor, the Right Honourable WILLIAM LEE (Baron) PLUNKET, Grand Master.

In the absence of the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother OLIVER NICHOLSON, presided.

A letter was read from the Grand Master advising the Grand Lodge of his inability to be present, as it was not possible for him, on account of his public position, to take part in any ceremonies save those connected with the Sovereign (KING EDWARD having died May 6th). It was a matter of special regret, as he had expected to pay his respects to the new Grand Master and say some words of farewell to his New Zealand Brethren.

The presentation of a magnificent service of silver plate, as a parting gift from the Brethren, in recognition of four years' successful labor as Grand Master, which was to have taken place during the sessions of the Grand Lodge, had to be made in private. LORD PLUNKET'S term as Governor expired the next month.

A visitor of distinction to the Dominion was LORD KITCHENER; and as he was unable to meet with his New Zealand Brethren, an illuminated address was presented to him by the Grand Master, a reproduction of which is given in these Proceedings, from which we learn that his titles are "The Right Honorable HORATIO HERBER, Viscount KITCHENER of Khartoum, G.C.D., O.M., G.C.M.G., G.C.I. E., Past District Grand Master of Freemasons in Egypt

and the Soudan, and in the Punjaub, India, under the United Grand Lodge of England.”

A motion looking to the permanent locating of the Grand Lodge was defeated.

The installation of the new Grand Officers was a very dignified ceremonial.

The services of the Grand Secretary are to be more adequately repaid, and that Brother was relieved of the duty of preparing the report on Correspondence, or, as it is called, “Review of Correspondence and Gleanings from the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions,” which duty fell to Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALFRED H. BURTON, who says in his introduction:

“In succeeding to his office of Reviewer, I am conscious that I cannot pretend to bring in anything like the amount of Masonic knowledge and experience possessed by my predecessor, who is in truth a very adept. But, without further self-depreciation, and with a will to do my best, I knock for entrance at the door of that mythical hall, where are supposed to sit in solemn conclave the Knights of the Table Round.

“It may be that when my ’prentice hand becomes accustomed to the work, I shall be able to give, in concise form, my matured impressions of Freemasonry, as exemplified in other lands, especially in the United States of America. The reading of the many volumes of Proceedings that have come before me of late has ‘given me to think.’ ”

We join in bidding him enter and welcome him cordially to our board.

The report is well prepared, giving judiciously extracts from addresses and reports, and summarizing interestingly.

We are not prepared to agree with his statement under Kentucky, that “it is customary in America to waive Grand

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Lodge dues in favor of ministers of religion, and frequently Lodge dues also.”

It may be done in a few Jurisdictions, but we do not think it can be said to be “customary.” While our clerical Brethren meet with us on the same level, yet the Fraternity which requires the Holy Bible to be placed upon its altars, may well have now, as in the past, a special regard for those whose especial duty it is to spread abroad the teaching of that Book.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is summarized. We quote:

“There are no less than nineteen Lodges in Pennsylvania that have each 500 members or over. The two largest have 875 and 824 respectively. Though these numbers are comparatively small ranked with, say, New York, they, nevertheless, fill us with amazement. We are puzzled to understand how Lodges of size so portentous can be ‘worked.’ But our wonderment may well, perhaps, be a subject of pity by our transpacific brethren.”

The words of Grand Master ORLADY upon the black ball and “the careless use of the white ball,” draws out the following comment:

“To which we New Zealanders ejaculate: Kapai!”

Number of Lodges, 170; initiated, 902; total membership, 10,850. Receipts, including balance of \$98,762, were \$135,301; disbursements, \$25,906; balance, \$109,395.

Most Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER J. W. GRIFFITHS, of Blenheim, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother MALCOLM NICCOL, of Wellington, Grand Secretary, continued.

NORTH CAROLINA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication in the Hall of the Masonic Temple, in the City of Raleigh, on Tuesday, January 11, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL M. GATTIS, Grand Master.

Just why the name of this fine old Jurisdiction should be given in such small type on the title page is not apparent.

The address of the Grand Master is a full account of his stewardship. He tells us, "The true Freemason is an optimist. His mission is to spread the doctrines of liberty, equality, and fraternity."

Of the Philadelphia Conference, at which we were sorry not to have North Carolina represented, he says:

"At the invitation of Right Worshipful Geo. B. Orlady, Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, the Grand Masters of nineteen states east of the Mississippi River met in conference at Philadelphia on the first day of June, 1909, to discuss matters of Masonic law and usage as administered in the states represented by the Grand Masters present. No authority was claimed by these Masons in conference to legislate, and no attempt made to do so. It was distinctly said time and again throughout the discussion that no attempt was being made, or intended to be started, looking to the formation of a National Grand Lodge. The Grand Masters discussed questions constantly arising in all the jurisdictions, compared notes and exchanged views. Numerous topics were discussed, and, in cases where there was practical unanimity, recommendations were suggested to be submitted to the Grand Lodges for their consideration. The Grand Master of Pennsylvania has had a complete stenographic record of the

discussions and recommendations published and furnished each Grand Lodge. It was impossible for me to attend this conference and I asked Deputy Grand Master, R. N. Hackett, to attend. He promised to do so but at the last moment was prevented by sickness in his family from attending. I deeply regret that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was not represented. The following are the unanimous recommendations made by the conference:"

Of the eleven recommendations all but one were either covered by existing law and decision, or were approved. North Carolina stands with Pennsylvania in being unwilling to change its position with regard to what is termed "perpetual jurisdiction."

In view of the attitude of North Carolina regarding "making a Mason at sight," the Grand Master observes:

"An interesting question, however, might arise should Mr. Taft, or any other person who was made a Mason 'at sight,' ask to be admitted as a visitor or to become a member of a North Carolina Lodge."

How any question could arise if Brother TAFT should ask to be admitted as a visitor or to become a member of a North Carolina Lodge, we cannot see, as he is a member in good standing of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 356, on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

The Grand Orator, Brother J. B. CARLYLE, took for his subject, "Light and Love—The Fundamentals of Masonry."

The Oxford Orphan Asylum ("a monument to the wisdom of those good men and Masons who were instrumental in its establishment") continues its fine work successfully.

Why the Grand Lodge should have suspended labor to attend in a body the ceremonies in connection with the unveiling of the bust of "the Hon. WM. A. GRAHAM," which had

been placed in the rotunda of the Capitol, is not apparent, nor is it intimated.

We see that a bust of the first Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina is to be presented by the Grand Lodge, also to be placed in the rotunda.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master, whose election and installation are recorded therein, naturally forms the frontispiece of the volume.

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother Doctor JOHN A. COLLINS, and is as informing as usual. We note, as before, the infrequency with which our Brother gives his views upon topics Masonic.

Under South Dakota, we quote:

“Brother Brown does not agree with us in our adverse opinion of church going in lodge formation, and as to the status of Latin-American Masonry. We sympathize with the worthy brother and upright gentleman, who seeks fellowship with that class of Masonry which commands his respect, but we think it unwise to be in a hurry to extend recognition before we have proof positive, that the petitioner intends to practice pure and undefiled Masonry; delay in this respect can do no harm, but undue haste may do a good deal.”

Pennsylvania for 1908 is reviewed. We quote:

“It is so full of matters of such absorbing interest that we despair of being able to convey to our readers an adequate idea of the power and influence and dignity of the Grand Lodge whose doings it records, and we must be content with making quotations here and there.”

and again:

“We have noticed of late years many ingenious plans proposed or adopted by Grand Lodges for the purpose of

concealing the personnel of the Committee of Investigation, so that neither they nor their findings would be known to anybody but the Master and the Secretary. These efforts have been and will continue to be vain, and we copy this decision of Grand Master ORLADY, as indicating the frank, manly, and Masonic procedure, which should always obtain;”

which he does.

Of our report, shorter than usual, as explained, Brother COLLINS kindly says:

“On account of unusual demands on the Grand Lodge’s records, the Grand Master laid his command on Brother Lamberton, that the report should not exceed 100 pages or thereabout. Brother Lamberton has obeyed the order of the Grand Master, but presents a report of 119 pages, in which he reviews the transactions of sixty-three Grand Lodges; North Carolina for 1908, being of the number. Brother Lamberton’s work is *sui generis*, none other like it. The critics of his Grand Lodge, he meets with a mild complacency which is satisfied with the simple reference to the landmarks. We feel sure that this report of Brother Lamberton will be valued by his Grand Lodge and by the members of the guild as being of superior quality, albeit abbreviated.”

Number of Lodges, including 22 under dispensation, 397; initiated, 1384; total Master Masons, 20,014, a gain of 1074. Receipts, including balance of \$3,089.88, were \$19,643.34; disbursements, \$18,028.44; balance, \$1,614.90.

Most Worshipful Brother RICHARD N. HACKETT, of Wilkesboro, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN C. DREWRY, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

NORTH DAKOTA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of North Dakota began its Twenty-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Fargo, on Tuesday, June 21, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HALFDAN BENDEKA, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features are given as the frontispiece, shows an energetic, zealous, and efficient Brother. The most important matter he had to record was the death of the Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Brother FRANK JARED THOMPSON, who had suddenly entered into rest, February 25, 1910. After serving as Grand Master 1890–1891, he served continuously as Grand Secretary until his death. We are glad to see his portrait, and are impressed by his fine face. A memorial service was held on the afternoon of the first day, and loving and discriminating tributes were paid to his memory. A monument will be erected later.

The Grand Master reports his attendance at the Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters, November, 1909, where it was our pleasure to meet him.

The portrait of the new Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master STOCKWELL, is given and a number of interesting groups: one of the Grand Lodge, taken in front of the Temple; and one of the Grand Masters at the Baltimore Conference.

It would seem that in North Dakota, the A. A. Order of the Mystic Shrine and the Order of the Eastern Star are Masonic Bodies, which, as it has been before observed, is "interesting, if true."

The report of the Acting Grand Secretary, Brother STOCKWELL, is a lengthy paper, abounding in interest and

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in helpful suggestions. It would seem as if the right Brother had been found for the exacting station of Grand Secretary.

The report on Correspondence takes the form, as last year, of a "Digest of Decisions of the Various Grand Masters, As Reported in Proceedings of 1909," and is compiled and edited by "JAMES W. FOLEY, Past Grand Master, Fraternal Correspondent," a number of Pennsylvania decisions appearing.

Number of Lodges, including three under dispensation, 96; raised, 601; total membership 7581, a gain of 444. Receipts, including balance of \$17,022.50, were \$25,704.20; disbursements, \$5,751.85; balance, \$19,952.35.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN J. HULL, of Wahpeton, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WALTER L. STOCKWELL, of Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia began its Forty-fourth Annual Communication in Freemasons Hall, in the City of Halifax, on Wednesday, June 9, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, six sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES R. SMITH, K.C., Grand Master.

The first morning, the Brethren attended Divine Service at St. Paul's Church, the sermon being preached by Grand Chaplain DRIFFIELD.

The address of the Grand Master is another excellent paper by a skilful Brother, containing admirable suggestions. He was able to report that "The Nova Scotia Freemason's Home" was now a fact, and the "opening day" was to be in August. Our Brethren are to be congratulated. Their action, almost unanimous, in raising the per capita

tax from twenty-five to fifty cents, the better to support the Home, was most commendable.

The Grand Master had to deal with "the chain letter" question, which he did vigorously. He mentioned that he had "been honored with invitations to attend a meeting of Grand Masters of the neighboring Republic to be held in the City of Philadelphia during the present month of June."

The report on Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Brother THOMAS MOWBRAY, who selects the interesting matters he comes upon for his Brethren's information. He gives his own views at times. Although he pleads "guilty to a sort of fondness for the weed," he thinks the Lodge-room is not the place for smoking, nor would he allow card playing in rooms adjoining the Lodge-room. We are glad to learn that public installation of officers is not permissible in Nova Scotia.

Under New York, our Brother makes a proper correction:

"Among the distinguished visitors to Grand Lodge was M. W. Augustus T. Freed, not Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, as the record indicates, but simply and solely Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in ONTARIO. We crave pardon for making this correction, but it is just as well that it should be known that there is no Grand Lodge of Canada any more than there is a Grand Lodge of the United States, and one of our Grand Lodges is just as much the Grand Lodge of Canada as another. We know that M. W. Brother Freed will welcome this correction."

We should have expected our Brother to hold other views as to the requirement that applicants for Masonry should be "descended of honest parents."

In answer to our Brother's question as to the age of

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Brother TAFT when he was made a Mason, we may say that our distinguished Brother was born on September 15, 1857, and was received into the Fraternity on February 18, 1909.

In our view, the Master of the Lodge is responsible for all the work done in his Lodge, and if he chooses to call to his assistance any skilled Brother, whether Past Master or not, he certainly may do so with entire propriety.

Our Brother begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1908 as follows:

“Upon opening the 1908 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the famous old State of Pennsylvania the eye at once rests upon the kind and noble face of the Grand Master whom it was our good fortune to meet at Boston in October last at the 175th Anniversary of St. John’s lodge of that City, and to which Brother Orlady makes such pleasant reference in his address to Grand Lodge. On account of both having heard and seen the literary and distinguished Grand Master we were well prepared for his able and brilliant address to Grand Lodge, and it would certainly take more ability than we possess to attempt to do it justice. In his address, which is replete with gems of information and of great historic interest the Grand Master says ‘considerable ‘interest attaches to the facts concerning the first establish- ‘ment of Freemasonry in the Western World, and addi- ‘tional data are supplied from unexpected sources.’”

Several other extracts are given from Grand Master ORLADY’S address.

Our report (“well-gotten up and most interesting”) is mentioned. In Pennsylvania only the six Grand Officers and the Past Grand Masters are entitled Right Worshipful.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 71; initiated, 472; total subscribing members, 5673, a gain of 310. Receipts, including balance of \$914.68, were \$9,799.93; disbursements, \$7,656.34; balance, \$2,143.49.

OHIO.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, of Wolfville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS MOWBRAY, of Halifax, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

OHIO—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio began its One Hundredth Annual Grand Communication in the Hall of the Chamber of Commerce, Cleveland, on Wednesday, October 20, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, two sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES S. HOSKINSON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, records his activities. The services of the late Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM MOORE CUNNINGHAM, who had served as Chairman of Ohio's Committee on Foreign Correspondence since 1885, and whose death we noted in our last report, are recorded. It was our good fortune to meet that venerable Brother when we were present at the making of WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT a Mason at sight. The Grand Master gave a full account of his exercising of his prerogative in making a Mason at sight. Our Brethren may be interested in the first speech Brother TAFT, who is now a member of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 356, made as a Mason:

“ Being introduced to the Lodge, he said:

“ ‘ My Brethren, I have stood in many presences and have felt embarrassment at the lack of anything appropriate to say, but never have I stood in any presence with such fear of saying something inappropriate.

“ ‘ The territory into which you have led me was until now a terra incognita, and I lift my foot in hesitation as to

where to plant it. There is one consideration, however, which gives me confidence—the consciousness that many years ago my father stood in the same place and expressed his love and admiration for the Order.

“ ‘ I can only envy my Brother in Masonry, and in fact, that it was given to him to be received under the auspices of that good old man. I would feel strange among this assemblage but for the fact that numerous members are present with whom I have had close relations in daily life, which has robbed me of the terrors of initiation which otherwise it would have had for me.

“ ‘ And I am grateful at the presence of three of my classmates from distant cities who came for the ceremony, showing the attachment of the members for the Order, and I am indeed grateful to them. I thank you and congratulate myself upon being one of you, and I am very grateful for being received among you.’ ”

We find nothing under Foreign Jurisdictions, or elsewhere, in the address as to the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters. Our Most Worshipful Brother accepted Grand Master ORLADY's invitation to attend, but we did not have the pleasure of welcoming him, nor did he send any word as to his absence.

The Committee on Centennial Celebration reported their expenditures, and we confess some mild curiosity as to the item, “ aprons, arm-bands, whips, etc., for parade, \$594.32.” We can understand the aprons, but the rest is a little beyond us.

It is pleasant to note the cordial recognition of the excellent “ code,” prepared by Grand Secretary BROMWELL. We had the pleasure of paying our respects to that worthy Brother, when in Cincinnati, in October, and found him on the point of leaving for the Annual Grand Communication, to attend which he invited us most fraternally.

In an appendix is given an interesting account of the Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge, held in Cincinnati on October 21, 1908. It being an unusual occasion, the invitation seems to us to be put in a somewhat unusual form: "The Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of The M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio, &c."

The record tells us:

"The program of the day was *initiated* by the march to Music Hall and the formal opening of the Grand Lodge, was *passed* along to the immense parade in the afternoon, and was *raised* to a sublime degree of enthusiasm in the exercises of the evening."

Naturally, the historical address was by our veteran Brother CUNNINGHAM. We note that in mentioning the dates of the formation of the fifteen Grand Lodges that preceded Ohio's, he takes no account of Provincial Grand Lodges, to which the present Grand Lodges succeeded.

Among those distinguished Brethren from whom letters and telegrams of congratulation were received, we note, "Pennsylvania—M. . W. . Bro. George W. Kendrick [Jr.], Past Grand Master."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was begun by its Chairman, the late Brother CUNNINGHAM, and was completed after the death of that dear Brother by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM A. BELT, who succeeded to the Chairmanship of the Committee, and who writes:

"A vacant chair at the Round Table of the Masonic Reportorial Guild recalls many things said and done by the 'Nestor,' who has gone. Many of you who were associated with him so long will, I am sure, be slow in accepting another. This particular piece of Masonic Work is an art, in and of

itself. Therefore, move over, and let us up to the table to practice, so we can get to be an artist, as I see many of you are."

We quote the following from Brother BELT's "Conclusion":

"The question of Masonry from purely Scottish Rite origin seems to be nearly settled, when we see that three-fourths of American Grand Lodges have voted fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Therefore Blue Lodges from legitimate Scottish Rite origin, as these were, are thus declared to be good."

To our mind the matter is not "nearly settled," for we wonder what the "three-fourths of the American Grand Lodges" will do now that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico has agreed to divide its sovereignty with another Grand Lodge of another Rite, so-called! MACKAY tells us, "A Grand Lodge is the supreme authority in the jurisdiction in which it is situated." How there can be two supreme authorities in the same Jurisdiction, we, like the man from Missouri, shall have "to be shown."

Pennsylvania for 1908 receives Brother BELT's attention, and, after giving some statistics, and referring to the fact that "the Masons of this Jurisdiction pledge themselves to build a great Masonic Home," our Brother makes a very long extract from the historical portion of Grand Master ORLADY's address.

The report on Correspondence did not come under our Brother's observation.

Number of Lodges, including three new ones and three under dispensation, 520; raised, 4828; total membership, 75,976, a gain of 3637. Receipts, including balance of \$58,564.60, were \$118,109.68; disbursements, \$54,343.44; balance, \$63,766.24.

OKLAHOMA.

Most Worshipful Brother B. F. PERRY, Jr., of Jefferson, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JACOB H. BROMWELL, of Cincinnati, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

OKLAHOMA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Oklahoma began its Second Annual Communication at the Scottish Rite Temple, in McAlester, on Wednesday, February 9, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY L. MULDROW, Grand Master.

The Grand Orator, Brother WILLIAM H. TALMADE, delivered an oration on "Brotherly Love, Belief and Truth." At its conclusion, the Grand Master delivered his annual address, a long paper, covering many subjects and showing an earnest, energetic and capable officer. We regret to learn that both the Grand Master and his Deputy have met with bereavements.

The Grand Master told of the Conferences of Grand Masters at Philadelphia and Baltimore, and reported the recommendations unanimously made at the former, and advised their adoption, and amendments are to be prepared to carry these into effect.

Referring to his experiences at Baltimore, the Grand Master says:

"It was quite an experience for the youngest jurisdiction, Oklahoma, to rub shoulders with the oldest, Pennsylvania, but the brethren all seemed to vie with each other in doing honor to the other fellow's jurisdiction and him. It is impossible for me to describe or give you even a faint conception of this magnificent entertainment; suffice to say, that the city of Baltimore was ours for the period of our visit.

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and I feel that I voice the sentiment of every man present when I say that we regretted to see the days end and the time of our departure arrive. I went to Baltimore feeling that I should like to see the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma entertain the next Conference, but Oklahoma would receive a very serious blow to her self-conceit if she should attempt to equal Maryland in the capacity as hosts upon an occasion of this character."

Brother MULBROW recommended two years of service for the Grand Master, and that he be paid a salary, but the Grand Lodge did not agree. We quote his recommendations (which were adopted) as to the veteran Grand Secretary, Brother MURROW:

"I recommend that Brother Joseph Samuel Murrow, in grateful appreciation of his long life of devoted self-sacrifice to the cause of Free Masonry in this jurisdiction, and as a token of the love and affection in which he is held by the Masons of this State, be officially recognized by this Grand Lodge as 'the father of Masonry in the State of Oklahoma,' and that he be retired from his active Grand Secretaryship and become Grand Secretary Honorary, with a salary of nine hundred dollars for the year 1910 and six hundred dollars per annum for the remainder of his life. Also that so long as he may live in this jurisdiction, he be required to sign all charters for lodges organized under this Grand Lodge, and that he be the installing officer of this Grand Lodge so long as he may live."

The procurement of a site for the Masonic Home required prompt action and the Grand Master was equal to the occasion.

In accord with the Grand Master's recommendation, fraternal intercourse was declined with New Jersey on account of the personnel of one of its Lodges. To be consistent,

Oklahoma must also decline Masonic intercourse with some other Grand Lodges.

An exhibition, before the afternoon session on the first day, by the children of the Masonic Home proved very interesting.

The valedictory report of Grand Secretary MURROW is excellent; the two Grand Secretaries conducted their duties with the greatest harmony.

We find the proceedings of a large number of Emergent Communications, from which it is to be inferred that this new Grand Lodge may be opened and closed, if we may be pardoned the expression, in "any old way." We noticed that one of these Communications was undated.

The recognition of Valle de Mexico was referred to a special committee. In view of the following, from a declaration of "Masonic Principles," under the heading of "Cerneauism," which was adopted by the Grand Lodge, it is not possible, in our opinion, for recognition to be granted, in view of the recent remarkable action taken by the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico in the matter of jurisdiction:

"First.—Two Grand Bodies claiming exclusive jurisdiction of the same degree cannot both lawfully exist in the same territory at the same time.

"Second.—The first lawfully constituted body working Masonic degrees established within a territory and duly recognized by corresponding bodies, thereby obtains and is of right entitled to exclusive jurisdiction in such territory, and any other body of the same degree or rite entering later within such occupied territory is a trespasser and unlawful."

From some resolutions (which were adopted) relating to the attendance of the Grand Master at "the next convention of Grand Masters," we learn that the same "will probably be held at St. Louis," which is news to us.

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The portrait of Grand Secretary ANDERSON is good to look upon, as is a group of Grand Lodge Officers.

The report on Correspondence was left to be done by Grand Secretary ANDERSON, and he had time to review but 12 Proceedings, Pennsylvania not being one. Our Brother is an excellent summarizer.

Number of Lodges, about 393; we do not seem to find any statement as to number initiated and membership. Receipts, including balance of \$10,967.16, were \$40,289.36; disbursements, \$19,435.38; balance, \$20,853.98.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE RUDDELL, of Weatherford, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM H. ANDERSON, of Waurika, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ONTARIO—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario began its Fifty-fifth Annual Communication in the City of Belleville, on Wednesday, July 20, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, Grand Master.

As usual in some of the Canadian Jurisdictions, addresses of welcome on behalf of the city authorities and of the local Brethren were made, and responded to.

Distinguished visitors were the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a long, able, and comprehensive paper, showing a careful, vigilant, and energetic administrator.

He reports a rather curious case:

“A member of The Law Society of this province was tried by the benchers, found guilty, reported to the courts,

and his name struck off the rolls. I intimated that he should be tried by his lodge, and this was about to be done, when he threatened legal proceedings.

“It is the first case of the kind we have ever had, and also where a threat of legal proceedings has been made. I have instructed the Master to ignore the threat and proceed with the trial, which I understand, has been done.”

His views as to the appearance of Brethren in public in “regalia” and as to using the Lodge-room, when an “At Home” is held, for card playing and dancing, are sound. He thinks it is a question which should receive full consideration, whether requests from Lodges for leave to exemplify the work in foreign Jurisdictions, and also to allow foreign work to be exemplified in his Jurisdiction, should be granted. It would seem to us that *if* uniformity of work is desired in his Jurisdiction, he would refuse all requests to exemplify foreign work therein.

Through the Grand Master’s efforts a substantial addition was made to the Semi-centennial Benevolent Fund.

Fraternal relations are not to be established with the Grand Lodges of Roumania and Turkey, and no steps are to be taken at present to secure the appointment of a representative of any Grand Body in Brazil near the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

The report on Correspondence is by the Junior Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother AUGUSTUS T. FREED, who at the request of the Board of General Purposes undertook the same, as Past Grand Master ROBERTSON’S health prevented him from continuing the work he had so efficiently done for twenty-seven years. We wish for Brother ROBERTSON’S restoration to good health.

In his introduction, Brother FREED writes:

“A study of the seventy-six reports of proceedings which have passed through my hands, convinces me that the Masonic

Order is not only making more rapid progress than ever before, but that it is doing Masonic work in such a manner as more and more answers the objects of its existence and proves its value as a great moral and educating force in the world. Masonry is not a show; it is a reality. It is not merely a social order; it is a world-wide beneficence.

“Almost without exception the reports tell of an increase in numbers, of perfect harmony and of greater activity in ministering to the needs of the suffering.”

He then gives seven or eight pages to considering “Masonic Benevolence,” telling of such work in various Jurisdictions. He writes:

“Pennsylvania is a state of noble charities. Its Masonic home has, in real estate and invested funds, more than a million dollars. In this home are 92 men, 24 widows, and 14 girls. The funds for the maintenance of the home, besides interest on investments, are supplied by Grand Lodge, by subordinate lodges and by individuals.”

He fails to see danger to the independence of the Grand Lodges in periodical conferences of Grand Masters; sustains well the provision of his Jurisdiction which requires that one shall have served for a year as Warden before he is eligible to the office of Master; and inclines to the belief that a “Lodge should not be permitted to expel, because local feeling may enter into a Lodge trial, and the proper safeguards to a fair trial may be omitted.”

He thinks, and we agree, that “there has been too much laxity in recognizing bodies which do not give sufficient proof that they maintain in full integrity the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft.”

There is food for thought in the following, under Nebraska:

“Nevertheless, we think that he [Brother PHELPS] is not infallible. For example he says that the original Grand Lodge of England (1717) ‘did not pretend to be engaged in introducing any new Masonry, but rather in reviving ancient speculative Masonry.’ But will Bro. Phelps assure us that the new Grand Lodge officers did not invent the Master Mason degree, and probably the Fellowcraft degree as well? Is he quite certain that any ceremony was worked before 1717 except that which we now call the Entered Apprentice degree? Of course lodges of Masons existed in England, Ireland and Scotland ‘from times immemorial.’ They were operative at first, and then others than Masons were admitted till in some instances the operatives were crowded out altogether, and these speculative Masons were mainly instrumental in forming the Grand Lodge of England. But that body formulated the Masonry we now have. As to the so-called Ancients, their grand body was formed in 1751; and they took the degrees probably invented, certainly revised, by Anderson and Desaguliers, and claimed untruly that they derived their legitimacy from Ancient York Masons descended from the wholly mythical Grand body said to have met at York in 926 under the presidency of the wholly mythical Edwin, the son of Athelstan.”

He begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1909 as follows:

“In many respects the report of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is the best printed and most artistic which reaches us. Its paper is of good quality, its type is clear and large, its illustrations are excellent.”

Extracts are made from Grand Master ORLADY’S address and decisions, and it is kindly stated that this writer “continues as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. His work is always well done.”

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Number of Lodges, 413; initiated, 3335; total membership, 46,140, a gain of 2202. Receipts, including balance of \$3,126.80, were \$69,897.67; disbursements, including \$24,124.00 for benevolent orders and \$26,369.30 for investments, were \$65,441.48; balance, \$4,256.19.

Most Worshipful Brother DANIEL T. MACWATT, of Sarnia, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother RALPH L. GUNN, of Hamilton, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

OREGON—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon began its Sixtieth Annual Communication in Masonic Temple, in the City of Portland, on Wednesday, June 15, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, six sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother NORRIS R. COX, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is somewhat long, including a number of letters and reports. Concerning the portrait, we quote as applicable what Brother HODSON says of a similar portrait in his report on Correspondence:

“A Bather cut of Grand Master —— introduces the book. He is good to look at, just the kind of chap one would delight in for a chum, but for sober earnest we'd like the picture better for the purpose of Masonic illustration with that elegant Shrine pin omitted. Its use is not in the best taste.”

From the following decision, it would seem that the Grand Master thinks that where McGregor sits, there is the head of the table:

“Question—If in laying a corner-stone for a Masonic building, in the N. E. corner, and a future building would

hide it, where is the correct place for the corner-stone to be placed?

“Answer—The N. E. corner is the proper place for it. When at all feasible it should be so placed and yet in a Masonic sense it is used symbolically and typifies the solid foundation that should underlie our Masonic and spiritual life, it should not be as a light under a bushel, but be seen of all men. Hence while symbolically the corner-stone is in the N. E. corner, I should rule—That if so placing it a future building would cover it, place it on one of the exposed corners.”

The Grand Master quotes from the report of his representative at Baltimore, in November, 1909, Past Grand Master KIDDLE, whom we had the pleasure of meeting.

“All of the Grand Masters of the A. F. and A. M. in the United States had been invited, and of the number, thirty-seven responded, besides many prominent Masons from sister jurisdictions. The avenues leading from the city were securely guarded and escape was impossible for three days. Even the pass of King Solomon would not avail and all the money that we might possess was spurious. I had the pleasure of seeing Bro. Shyrook elected and installed as the Grand Master of Maryland for the twenty-fifth consecutive term.

“As to entertainments, the Grand Lodge of Maryland is in a class by itself.”

Brother Cox mentions that he had “also a long communication from the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters of the various Jurisdictions of the United States, on what they term ‘The get-together movement.’”

Saskatchewan was recognized.

From the excellent address of the Grand Orator, Brother B. B. BEEKMAN, we quote:

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“Masonry is not a religious cult, a philosophic system, or a code of morals. Nevertheless it embodies and inculcates precepts and tenets that prevail in and derive force and vigor and effect from religion, philosophy and morality. It is universal in its appeal to the intellect and soul of man and broad and liberal in its ministrations to the wants and needs of humankind. In its lodges gather men of divers tongues and races, men of different shades of culture and belief. Within their tiled recesses rank and privilege disappear, and therein meet in harmony and fraternity and equality the rich and poor, fortune’s favored son and the child of woe and sorrow, the great ones of the earth and the unassuming men who follow duty’s call and tread, in quiet way, their appointed paths of life. Around its altars kneel in unison and reverence the worshipers of Jehovah, the Lord God of Israel, the followers of the Man of Sorrows, and the devotees of Allah and the Prophet of Islam. Good men and true, of alien race, of different clime, of varying belief, participate with mutual pleasure in its rituals and ceremonials, and, with tolerant and exalted minds, receive and cherish and sustain the ennobling and uplifting precepts and tenets that it inculcates and ordains. Pre-eminent among its kind, venerable in years, firmly established in the Old World and the New, clinging to high traditions, but eagerly receptive of light and truth, it holds conspicuous place in the affairs of men and stands out unscathed by prejudice, malice or detraction and loved and revered by those who look to it for guidance and inspiration.”

The subject of a home for aged and indigent Masons, their widows and orphans, being considered, the Grand Secretary was directed to submit by circular letter to each Lodge, the question, “Are you in favor of adopting the home system of distributing charity?”

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JOHN M. HODSON,

and it is as able as his many former ones. This, alas, is the final one, for we have learned that he entered into rest on October 9, 1910. He was in his seventy-second year. We sorrow with the Craft in Oregon in their great loss.

Our Brethren will be interested under Alabama :

“ An attempt to sever relations with New Jersey on account of its Alpha No. 116, which some years ago made some negroes Masons. The Grand Lodge referred the resolution to the Grand Master with power to act. Why don't they cut out the Grand Lodge of England, which allows any man free born of lawful age and of good reputation to become a Mason. No question as to whether he be red-headed, blond or very dark brunett? Why not deny descent from or relationship with King Solomon, said to have been our first Grand Master, who admits that he was black, but claims to have been comely. Better go out on to a high hill or down into some low vale and sing that contraband doxology, and let New Jersey alone and it will be better for all concerned.”

and, under Connecticut :

“ October 8, 1908, occurred the most peculiar ceremony ever recorded as being performed by a Grand Lodge of Masons. From the minutes of the meeting it would seem that nearly all the Masons in the state were present and a big lot of other people. The ceremonies partook slightly of the nature of laying a corner-stone, but instead was the placing of the final stone in the completion of a Bridge at Hartford. The minutes do not say what the bridge spans, but we suspicion the Connecticut river, for being in the way along there. The Grand Lodge was escorted by an armed guard of 949 Knights Templar. The hole in the stone must have been pretty large from the list of articles placed in the box, many of which were pictures of prominent people. A few thousand years from now, when our civilization has crumbled and a race who knew not ‘ Fuller ’ clears away the rubbish

of the old bridge just think of the remarks which will be made concerning the comeliness of the Yankee. Had Solomon been doing that job, we more than half suspect that he would have given the ceremonies more of a dedicatory character, and that he would have arranged that at the proper time fire should have come from above and called out the fire department, but in as much as it was the first of its kind and no better path to follow, we think they did well, thus putting up another evidence of the inventive genius of the Yankees."

Our Brother is not in sympathy with conferences of Grand Masters. We quote under Indiana:

"He [Grand Master MIKELS] tells of an invitation from Grand Master Orlady of Pennsylvania to meet with a lot of other Grand Masters in Philadelphia June 1, following, to lay plans for the nationalizing Masonry of the blue lodges, a la General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council or Grand Encampment; recommended the appointment of a representative to meet these Grand Masters, all of which was approved. We admit that we smiled after reading the matter all through at the child-like simplicity and confidence shown by these brethren and coming as it does from Pennsylvania, which would not give up the privilege of edicting a brother out of the fraternity if his lodge did something contrary to her usage at his making, for all the General (Nationalized) Grand Lodges he or Orlady ever dreamed about. It is off the same piece with his imaginary invitation to King Solomon to come to Indianapolis and see how much better modern Masons could do things in the way of Dedication than that old fossil did centuries ago at the services on Mount Moriah; and we expect to see a general Grand Lodge right away after Solomon appears. Why, Pennsylvania won't join the General Grand Chapter, although it has been waiting with open doors ever since 1816, and it would take a Solomon or probably a greater to get them into the corral

and half a dozen to keep them there. Anyway let us all wait and see the salvation.”

Brother HODSON begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1908, as follows:

“ While this is ancient history, it is the latest from the Keystone brethren, and a choice fine volume, too, worthy of the spirit of even that fine old State. The pictorial illustrations are extra elegant, unique and interesting. The various places of meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and Masonic places of meeting since before there was any Grand Lodge, pretty good-looking buildings before 1735, and the typical red brick houses of a later period along up until about 1810, are as the girls would say: ‘ Just too cute for anything.’ Their comparatively new Temple was burned in March, 1819, but they soon had a better one, and kept advancing with every step, through three different elegant Temples until 1873, the present building was erected, believed to be the most complete in its appointments of anything erected since Solomon, and we half suspect if a modern ‘ Queen of Sheba ’ (O. E. S.) ever gets within its sacred precincts she will declare that this time not the ‘ quarter ’ has been told. All the same the 24 pictures all the way from ‘ Indian King Tavern ’ of 1735 down to the magnificent Banquet Hall of the present, is simply among the choice triumphs of the builder’s and decorator’s art, improved upon to a considerable degree by the Art preservative.

“ As usual, the book is introduced by a picture of the Temple in Philadelphia, and those admiring visitors are still admiring, and that long-tailed dog has not reached the corner.”

Our doings are summarized, and, in order that we may not by being silent, be regarded as assenting to our Brother’s remarks, we may say that in this Jurisdiction the Grand Lodge “ grants warrants for Subordinate Lodges and duly

constitutes them," so that our dear Brother was mistaken in thinking that the Grand Master "already had 'power to act.' " We refer our Brother to our review of Maine.

Of our Past Grand Master KELLY, he speaks as "a brother long known, loved and honored by his brethren;" and of Past Grand Master BROWN, "he had long been one of the most sturdy and esteemed characters in Pennsylvania Masonry, and his loss is deeply regretted."

Our report receives courteous consideration.

Number of Lodges, 120; initiated, 866; total membership, 9986, a gain of 734. Receipts, including balance of \$12,801.59, were \$26,055.64; disbursements, \$8,714.03; balance, \$17,341.61.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES E. WOLVERTON, of Portland, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JAMES F. ROBINSON, of Portland, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Prince Edward Island began its Thirty-fifth Annual Communication, combined with a Special Communication, in the Masonic Hall, at Charlottetown, on June 23, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother W. P. DOUALL, Grand Master.

The first day was given up to the consideration of the new Constitution.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, shows a diligent and efficient officer; he seems to have given matters a stirring up; and, the Grand Secretary, having as we understand, wished to be relieved from his duties, the retiring Grand Master was chosen to be Grand Secretary. He pays a tribute to his Grand Lodge:

“There is no large Jurisdiction where less commercialism is shown, where ritual is more uniform, where higher proficiency is demanded in the candidate’s examination, where the constitution is more closely regarded, where the prerogatives of the Grand Master are so seldom invoked and where the ballot guards more jealously the admission of unworthy material. Think of it, a Grand Lodge thirty-five years old, that has never had occasion to suspend or expel a single member.”

The Grand Master is opposed to a report on Correspondence, thinking that “too much information [is] easily obtained by the outside world.” From his unusual conclusion, we quote:

“I want to say just a few words about Masonry. Almost every simile possible for the mind of man to conceive has been used to illustrate some phase of our beloved Order. One however I have not seen used, and it impresses me more and more in its adaptability the longer I ponder over it. It is the similarity to that silent, ever-constant, unfathomed and mysterious force called gravitation. Cyclones and tornadoes may sweep the face of the earth threatening—yes, carrying—death and destruction; but in an hour or a day they are past, and that silent, omnipresent, never-varying force quiets and subdues, bringing peace again to the very wreckage of the storm. A Napoleon tornado, a Morgan cyclone or a Papal typhoon, may hurl its force and threaten death and destruction, but that never changing silent gravitation which is the very essence of our fraternity stills the storm and brings again order out of chaos.

“Carry the simile further. Chemistry bases all its calculations on the certainty of that pull. Water is the standard and by comparison things are light or heavy, according to the pull. The general mass of the Craft is water; then by comparison some are light as air, nothing to them but

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the name on the membership roll; others are drift-wood on the surface of the tide. Then there are the metals heavier than the mass, but tinsel, tin and brass. Some are strong and true as steel, others heavy but unstable as quicksilver and a few are gold, pure gold."

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Number of Lodges, 14; initiated, 29; total membership, 731. Receipts, including balance of \$485.73, were \$846.61; disbursements, \$449.00; balance, \$397.61.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM STEWART, of Summerside, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother W. P. DOUALL, of Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC—1910.

THE Most Worshipful The Grand Lodge of Quebec, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held its Fortieth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montreal, on February 9, A.D. 1910, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother J. ALEXANDER CAMERON, Grand Master.

The first portion of the address of the Grand Master before reporting his activities, is of unusual interest. We quote:

"In this Province of Quebec, Masonry, through no fault of ours, is practised under difficulties which are little realized beyond our borders. To the majority of our fellow-citizens, the teachings and objects of the Order are, by the prescription of an authority which they respect, a sealed book; a prescription to which no exception is or can be taken by those of us for whom that authority and its enactments are without sanction; a prescription which we consider to be a matter entirely between those by whom and to whom it

is addressed. When, however, as a reason for such a prohibitive enactment, there are publicly and privately assigned to our Fraternity aims and objects which are absolutely foreign to and expressly and categorically excluded from its sphere, there is thereby created a painful feeling of distrust in the minds of some of the people as to the motives and good faith of those of us who, in the hope of being useful to our fellows, are members of the Craft. Time and again those entitled to speak with authority on our behalf have pointed out and have explained why it is that Freemasonry as practised and understood by the lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of Quebec and by the Masons of every English-speaking country, has not and cannot have any connection nor anything in common, save the name, with the so-called Freemasonry of France and other Latin countries; and yet on several occasions during the past few months the newspapers of this Province have afforded proof that in spite of what must now be positive knowledge of the facts, the same false and unjust accusations are still being made."

After mentioning that those seeking membership in the Craft must do so of their own free will and accord, and that they learn after admission in the plainest language that the discussion of any political or religious matter whatsoever is absolutely forbidden in the Lodges, he continues:

"Bearing these facts in mind we do not and cannot adversely criticise the command of any religious or other organization, claiming the implicit obedience of its adherents, that the latter should not become members of our Fraternity; nor on the other hand can we be held responsible if the so-called Masonry of Latin countries, having forsaken the principles and objects we profess, continues to retain the name we lawfully hold. We have done all we could in that connection; we have denounced as faithless those who have ceased to practise Freemasonry in its purity, and under

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cover of the name devote themselves to other pursuits; we do not recognize them as Masons, we have cut off all intercourse with them; in short, we have no more dealings nor connection with them than those same religious authorities who wilfully and in spite of knowledge refuse to differentiate between us and the others.

“During the year, I have been frequently urged but have declined to use the medium of the public prints to deny those false assertions and to endeavor to correct the misapprehensions thereby induced. I confess that it would be to me as much as to any one, a source of supreme satisfaction if, in some lawful manner compatible with the dignity and honor of Masonry and with the firmly-held belief that it needs no apologist, our fellow-citizens could be made to know that while they are forbidden to join us, it is for laudable purposes, absolutely outside the spheres of religion or politics, that we, in common with a great body of men in the British Isles and Dominions generally and in the United States, have ranged ourselves beneath the banners of Masonry; and that it is an insult to intelligence to propagate the erroneous belief that we or our brother Masons anywhere with whom we have fraternal communication, have either purpose or inclination to pervert the religious belief of our fellow-citizens or subvert the authority of their religious leaders.

“To my mind, however, an answer or an appeal in the news-papers, whether from myself or from any other Masonic official, would not attain that end, at the present time in any event. Such a course would be fruitless of any useful result; on the contrary, by provoking a controversy, it might only intensify the feeling which we deplore.

“My own view is that in this, as in any other walk of life, the situation in which we are placed should operate in us a greater faithfulness in and loyalty to the Order; that without offensive undue display or craven concealment of our adherence to its banners, we should hold the even

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tenor of our several ways resolutely determined that by *Truth* to ourselves and to others and by *Charity* in thought, in word and in deed, the principles which as Masons we profess shall be so illustrated and practised in the individual life of each and every one of us as to satisfy the demands of every honest enquiry, disarm the reproach of every hostile critic and compel the respect and esteem of all."

We note that out of eight dispensations granted "to wear Regalia at Lodge Socials or 'At Homes'" no less than six were granted to Montreal Lodges. Doubtless it is none of our business, yet we regret to have Masonic clothing worn for the purpose of *display*, pure and simple.

The Grand Master refers to the unveiling of the monument to Quebec's first Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother JOHN HAMILTON GRAHAM, LL.D. (a "fine bust on its stately shaft of granite"), which was unveiled by the Grand Master at Richmond, P. Q., on June 19, 1909, with interesting ceremonies and fine addresses. Elsewhere in these Proceedings we find the "Ceremony of Unveiling and Dedicating" given in full. A photograph of the monument forms a fitting frontispiece to the volume. Provision was made for erecting a monument to the late Most Worshipful Brother JOHN HELDER ISAACSON, Grand Secretary.

From the interesting and able discourse delivered before the Grand Lodge by Right Worshipful Brother the Reverend ALLAN P. SHATFORD, on the "Symbolism of Masonry," we quote:

"There have recently been heated discussions in some of our religious periodicals as to the relation which the lodge should bear to the Church. Some have taken the stand that Masonry is hostile to the Christian religion and militates seriously against Church membership and attendance. I gladly bear my testimony to-day, that after an experience of twelve years' close association with the Order, I believe

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this charge against Masonry from some of the Churches is not grounded in fact."

We note that the Grand Lodge does not propose to temporize with one of the Lodges, which has not complied with the directions of the Grand Lodge.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman of the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD T. D. CHAMBERS, his twenty-third, and is full of interest. Our Brother is wisely conservative, and maintains his contentions with dignity, ability, and courtesy.

Under Delaware (and elsewhere), he quotes from the address of the Grand Master full particulars of the Philadelphia Conference, and says:

"As to the meeting of Past Grand Masters of various jurisdictions in Philadelphia at the invitation of the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, it is doubtless reassuring to many apprehensive minds to learn that there was never any idea of such a proposition as the formation of General or Supervising Grand Lodge. Not for one moment, we take it, would any one of the many Grand Lodges of this continent think of abandoning one jot or one tittle of sovereign independence. And the delightfully sound and conservative Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania would be the very last Grand Body in the world to countenance such a proposition."

Under Illinois, he says further:

"There is not only no necessity for such an institution as a General Grand Lodge, but there is every reason in the world why every sovereign independent Grand Lodge on the continent should vigorously oppose any proposition looking towards a movement that can only mean an invitation to forego the blessings of independence. We have too much confidence in the conservatism of Pennsylvania Masonry to believe for one moment that the Grand Master of that juris-

diction ever contemplated the establishment of a General Grand Lodge or dreamt of giving rise to the suggestion at all, when he invited a certain number of Grand Masters to meet and discuss with him a variety of subjects in which all were mutually interested."

Under Michigan, after quoting from a letter from "one KRUGER of the Grand Lodge of Belgium," dwelling upon "the evils of Clericalism," and the need of being "continually on the alert against the iniquities of the [Roman] Catholic priesthood," Brother CHAMBERS well asks:

"Are not our initiates solemnly assured that Masonry does not conflict with the performance of their religious duties? Has a Mason the right to declare in a Masonic document that there are iniquities in any of the churches of Christendom? Moreover, is it not a fact that one who lends himself to Masonic attacks upon any church, even upon that which is known to be most bitterly opposed to the Craft, commits an offence against Masonry?"

"The Grand Lodge of Belgium apparently maintains open hostility to the Roman Catholic church. It has, therefore, read itself completely outside the pale of legitimate Freemasonry, even if it were ever on the inside of the enclosure."

His review of Pennsylvania for 1908 he begins as follows:

"Perhaps the most beautiful volume of proceedings ever issued by any Grand Lodge, outside of the two Washington and Franklin memorial books published by our Pennsylvanian Brethren, is the volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge for 1908, which is illustrated by a series of colored views of the various meeting places in the Grand Lodge history, as well as those of the chief halls in the Temple in Philadelphia, and of the banquet tables on the occasion

of the Washington sesqui-centennial in 1902, at which it was the privilege of this writer to have been a guest."

It was our good fortune to meet Brother CHAMBERS on the occasion he mentions.

After speaking most kindly of this writer, he adds:

"the views of the great old Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, so famous for its reverence of the bed rock foundation upon which our fraternity rests, and for its respect for the Ancient Landmarks and the teachings and the ways of 'the Fathers,' are received with the utmost respect by those who appreciate the skill and the judgment of its Reviewers, and have a marked effect upon the Masonic thought of the age."

Number of Lodges, 62; initiated, 487; total membership, 6325, a gain of 282. Receipts, including balance of \$2,549.21, were \$7,507.19; disbursements, \$4,893.31; balance, \$3,613.88.

Most Worshipful Brother J. ALEXANDER CAMERON, of Montreal, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother WILL H. WHYTE, of Montreal, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

QUEENSLAND—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of Queensland held Communications as follows: August 11, September 27, December 13, A.D. 1909; March 14, May 20, June 6, and June 13, 1910; all at Brisbane and all in the Masonic Hall, with the exception of the first, which was held in Exhibition Hall, which was specially prepared and decorated as a Lodge-room, in order to accommodate as many of the Brethren as possible who desired to attend the installation of the Grand Master, a function of great dignity, the ceremony of installation being performed by the Grand Mas-

ter of New South Wales, Most Worshipful Brother H. MONTGOMERIE-HAMILTON, who, later, was presented with a maul, or gavel, as we usually call it. A number of distinguished visiting Brethren were present, and the interesting addresses of the Grand Master, the installing Grand Master, and of several others are given in full. The Second and Third Communications mentioned we took to be the usual Quarterly ones, as were those of March 14 and June 13, but for some reason they are called "Special Communications." The May Communication was for the purpose of holding a Lodge of Sorrow in memory of the late King, His Majesty King EDWARD VII., and the services were impressive. The Communication on June 6, was the special one for the nomination of officers of the Grand Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother ADOLPHUS MARCUS HERTZBERG, Grand Master.

The installation address of the Grand Master was excellent in its scope and spirit. In his address at the September Communication, he said that

"As regards the admission of Lewis's under the age of 21 years, he felt that it was a wrong to any youth still in his teens to take upon himself the responsibilities of Masonry. Not many young men arrived at the age of discretion even at the age of 21 years. He would not do so with a son of his own, and certainly deprecated any encouragement being given to the making of a Mason under the age of 21 years unless very exceptional circumstances warranted such a course."

At the December Communication the death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Dr. JOSEPH ROBBINS, of Illinois, was announced, and full honors were paid to his memory. The sound stand taken by Brother ROBBINS, as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, with regard to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Queenstown, had

justly commended him most warmly to the Brethren of that Grand Lodge.

The Board of General Purposes seems to be acting with proper caution and conservatism in the matter of according recognition to the numerous bodies desiring it.

We should be glad if our Brethren were to do away with such a thing as a dispensation "to wear Regalia, Masonic Social"; perhaps they will come to recognize how truly un-Masonic it is to wear Masonic clothing merely for show.

In the list of "Sister Grand Lodges," we think our Grand Secretary SINN would find some difficulty in recognizing himself under the name of Sian.

Number of Lodges, 56; total membership, about 2000. Receipts, \$6,975; disbursements, \$4,942; balance, \$2,033.

Most Worshipful Brother ADOLPHUS MARCUS HERTZBERG, of Brisbane, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. HARLEY, of Brisbane, Grand Secretary, continued.

RHODE ISLAND—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of The Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations held its Semi-Annual Communication in Freemasons Hall, in the City of Providence, on Wednesday, November 15, A.D. 1909.

Most Worshipful Brother STEPHEN MAGOWN, Grand Master.

The Grand Master made a full report of the proceedings of the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia, in June preceding, from which we quote:

"By your generous action it was my privilege to represent this Grand Lodge at that conference, and I wish here

to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the high honor conferred by appointing me to represent this grand old body on that occasion.

“The Conference assembled at 10 o’clock on the morning of June 1st, in Masonic Temple, Broad and Filbert streets, in Egyptian Hall, one of the six beautiful halls which that magnificent structure affords, and proceeded immediately to business, behind tiled doors, Right Worshipful Brother Orlady acting as Chairman, and an expert stenographer present to record every detail of the proceedings.

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“A very interesting feature of my visit to Philadelphia was furnished on Tuesday evening, when the Temple Lodge of Instruction exemplified the third degree for the benefit of the visiting Grand Masters. The work was rendered in a manner to satisfy the most critical, and was particularly interesting on account of the difference in ritual, etc.

“Wednesday afternoon we were shown the sights of Philadelphia by automobile.

“In the evening, during a Quarterly Session of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the visitors were conducted into the Lodge, introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master, and conducted to seats in the East.

“During the evening each one was called upon and responded for his Grand Lodge.”

The report of the Committee on Grand Officers’ Reports considers at considerable length the acts of the preceding Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother CHATTERTON, most of which were approved. We note that the Committee took a higher view of the prerogatives of the Grand Master than did Brother CHATTERTON.

As a token of appreciation of forty years of faithful and valuable service, a gift of five hundred dollars was

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voted to Reverend Brother HENRY W. RUGG, who, as Grand Chaplain and Deputy Grand Master, had served the Grand Lodge for so long a time.

It was deemed best to register under a recent Public Law of the State the following:

The square and compasses; the square and compasses, with the letter G. in the center; the facsimile of the Seal of the Grand Lodge; "The Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons"; "Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons"; "Free and Accepted Masons"; "Free Masons"; "A. F. and A. M."; and "F. and A. M."

The One Hundred and Twentieth Annual Communication was held in the same place, on May 16, 1910.

The address of the Grand Master records his activities. The Committee on Library reports, *inter alia*:

"We have received from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, an interesting and instructive volume containing, 'The Proceedings of the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia, in June, 1909'; also from the same source, Volume II, of 'Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907, as shown by the Records of Lodge No. 2, F. and A. M.'"

The report of the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports did not recommend any action upon the recommendations of the Philadelphia Conference, not already covered by Rhode Island regulations, except with regard to printed rituals, and in that case recommended the adoption of a standing order in accord with the recommendation of the Conference.

From the Committee's report, while in the Committee's opinion, "legislation prescribing as a requirement in the report a specific statement that the committee [of investigation] has made such thorough investigation seems unnecessary and hence undesirable," it appears that, "as a matter

of fact, the form of report in common use in this [Rhode Island] jurisdiction contains such a statement.”

We venture to express the opinion that, as it seems from the Committee's report, there are several forms of report in use in that Jurisdiction, it would be well to adopt a form of report which should be required to be used by *all* the Lodges.

The completion of the reprint of the Proceedings from 1820 to 1860, a work first authorized in 1882, was announced.

Hardly two months had passed ere the Grand Lodge was called upon to mourn for its Grand Master, Most Worshipful Reverend Brother HENRY WARREN RUGG, who entered into rest on July 21.

In the announcement of this bereavement, the Acting Grand Master paid a just tribute to the memory of this distinguished member of the Fraternity, who was widely known throughout this country. We were disappointed in not meeting our Brother at Cincinnati, in February, 1909. We regret his passing away from this earth.

No report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 37; initiated, 493; total membership, 7464, a gain of 315. Receipts, including balance of \$4,190.82, were \$8,674.55; disbursements, \$5,923.63; balance \$2,750.92.

Right Worshipful Brother JAMES B. GAY, of Providence, Deputy Grand Master, Acting Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother S. PENROSE WILLIAMS, of Providence, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

SASKATCHEWAN—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its Fourth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Saskatoon, on Wednesday, June 15, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day,

three sessions being held. After the Grand Lodge had been opened, it was called off, and, headed by a band, marched to the New Masonic Temple, which was dedicated in full and ample form.

Most Worshipful Brother HAROLD JAGGER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a sensible paper; we were pleased when we read that he had "refused an application to wear Masonic Regalia at a public ball," but regretted to see that he had granted a dispensation "to attend 'At Home' in Masonic Regalia." We find it difficult to understand how Freemasons can tolerate this sort of display, which it certainly is, pure and simple.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master is properly and naturally given in these Proceedings, which record his election and installation.

From the report of the Grand Secretary as Grand Librarian, we quote:

"Among these reports and histories, one of the most interesting is that of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in two volumes giving the history of Masonry in that State from 1757 up to 1881."

Our Brother doubtless refers to the two volumes entitled "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907, as shown from the Records of Lodge No. 2 at Philadelphia," the history of the Lodge being given in the first volume from 1757 to 1781, and in the second, from 1781 to 1818.

The proposition, as printed in the Finance Committee's report, of \$15,000.00 as the salary for the Grand Secretary, whose compensation has been quite inadequate, struck us as very generous; but, on turning the page, in the estimates we found it was to be \$1,500.00, which at that figure is an advance worthily deserved.

The good work of the Chairman of the Committee on

Foreign Correspondence received deserved commendation, that Brother, now Right Worshipful Brother Dr. A. S. GORRELL, the Grand Senior Warden-elect, having presented his "maiden" report, which he says is "not intended to be an exhaustive analysis of the proceedings of the several Grand Jurisdictions which have passed under review, but rather a selection from the 'Proceedings' of such matters as may prove of interest to the Craft in Saskatchewan." His Brethren will agree with us in saying that his wish, "may the results be valuable," has been realized. Our Brother is positive in his views, and frankly characterizes matters. He has no use for "reforming legislation," and gives what he calls "another example of brilliant legislation, with the object of forcibly and by law making men better."

We like his opposition to granting dispensations for conferring degrees in less than the customary time; but are at a loss to understand his oft-repeated objection to any one save the Master of the Lodge conferring the degrees.

Under Florida, our Brother gives in full the "Pennsylvania form of Renunciation."

He begins his fraternal notice of Pennsylvania for 1909, as follows:

"The proceedings of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania have come to the hands of this Reviewer, and in each volume seniority of charter is claimed over the sister jurisdiction. One is only 176 years old and the other whose date is not published, is sufficiently venerable to command respect.

"What a handsome Temple is that of Philadelphia, and well may the citizen in check clothing point it out with pride to his wife and son."

His review closes:

"Several decisions were made, but as all are practically routine, none are quoted.

"Saskatchewan receives kindly mention in the report."

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Number of Lodges, including 23 under dispensation, 76; membership, "approximately 3,300." Receipts, including balance of \$1,445.77, were \$5,647.66; disbursements, \$3,485.89; balance, \$2,161.77.

Most Worshipful Brother Reverend W. B. TATE, of Qu'Appelle, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN M. SHAW, of Regina, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

SCOTLAND—1909.

THE Grand Lodge of Scotland held a Quarterly Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on Thursday, August 5, A.D. 1909.

The Most Worshipful Brother The Most Honourable THE MARQUESS OF TULLIBARDINE, M.V.O., D.S.O., Grand Master.

Why the Grand Lodge was "opened in *due* form and with solemn prayer," and "closed in *full* form and with solemn prayer," we are unable to state.

No matters of general interest were considered.

We presume the usual Communications were held, but their Proceedings have not reached us.

Most Worshipful Brother The Most Honourable THE MARQUESS OF TULLIBARDINE, M.V.O., D.O.S., of Edinburgh, Grand Master Mason; Right Worshipful Brother DAVID REID, of Edinburgh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of South Australia, in addition to its Half-Yearly (October 20, A.D. 1909) and Annual (April 20, 1910) Communications, in the Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, held in the same place a Special Communication on October 4, 1909, to con-

sider the steps to be taken for the appointment of a successor to the late Grand Secretary, Very Worshipful Brother JAMES HENRY CUNNINGHAM, who entered into rest on Sunday, September 19, and, on Sunday, October 17, in the Town Hall at Adelaide, a Lodge of Sorrow, in memory of the departed Grand Secretary, whose portrait we are glad to have. The oration was delivered by Right Worshipful Brother EUSTACE B. GRUNDY, K.C., Past Deputy Grand Master, and was a loving and able tribute. A handsome marble monument, to the expense of which all the Lodges in the State contributed, was placed over the grave of the venerable Brother, who was the first and for twenty-five years Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of South Australia.

We quote with pleasure the following from the report (which was adopted) of the Board of General Purposes, submitted at the Annual Communication:

“The Board has granted permission to the Grand Secretary to include in the Annual Report a digest of the proceedings of Foreign Grand Lodges compiled by him. The Board also recommends that in the future this work be undertaken by a Committee to be called ‘The Foreign Correspondence Committee,’ and suggests the names of Wpl. Bros. Fornachon, C. D. Harris, H. E. Potter, W. H. Selway, A. J. Adams, E. H. Limbert, S. H. Good, F. Lathlean, J. M. Radde, and the Grand Secretary to form that committee to deal with the Literature received during 1910.”

The “Report on Foreign Correspondence and Digest of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions” is by the new Grand Secretary, who had but a short time to make a brief review of the Foreign Correspondence. We are sure his Brethren will be pleased. He gives the dates of the founding of the various Grand Lodges, with number of Lodges and members. In his introduction he sums up as follows:

“ I find that there are 109 Sovereign Grand Lodges—50 in the United States, 9 in Canada, 5 in Central America, 9 in South America, 7 in Australia, 1 in Egypt, 1 in Liberia, and 3 in the United Kingdom, and 8 Grand Lodges control the German Empire. The remaining 16 are distributed throughout Europe.

“ No less than 18 Grand Lodges claim direct descent from the Grand Lodge of England, and of the whole 109, 70 work in the English Language.

“ European Grand Lodges have nearly 6,000 Lodges with an approximate Membership of 400,000 of which nearly 75 per cent. is English.

“ The Grand Lodges of United States and Canada have 15,000 Lodges with a Membership of nearly 11½ millions. Central America has over 200 Lodges and 8,000 Members, whilst South America has 1,000 Lodges with a Membership of 40,000. Whilst Australia and New Zealand have some 800 Lodges with a Membership of 45,000.”

We hope our Brethren will not enter into Fraternal relations with all the Bodies he here noted, until after due investigation.

Pennsylvania for 1908 is reviewed briefly, being “ contained in an exceedingly well printed and handsomely illustrated volume of over 400 pages, and shows the meeting places of this Grand Lodge, during the last 150 years, together with a series of interior views of their fine Modern Temple, all beautifully colored.” Brother GLOVER adds that he has had these illustrations framed, and notes “ the last dollar of debt on this great Temple has been paid and the Masons of this Jurisdiction now pledge themselves to build a great Masonic Home.”

Number of Lodges 53, a gain of 3; initiated, 300; total “ subscribing members,” 3595, a gain of 239. Receipts, including balance of \$775 were \$5,660; disbursements, \$4,842; balance, \$818.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency The Right Honourable SAMUEL J. WAY, Bart., P.C., D.C.L., LL.D., Lieutenant Governor, Chief Justice of Australia, Chancellor of the University of Adelaide, etc., etc., of Adelaide, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES R. J. GLOVER, P.D.G.M., of Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of South Carolina began its One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Charleston, on Tuesday, December 14, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES L. MICHIE, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is an able, interesting, and complete document. Of the Philadelphia Conference, he writes as follows:

“As recommended by the Committee on Jurisprudence, I attended this conference on the 1st, 2d and 3d of June.

“Following the meeting of the fifteen Grand Masters in Boston last October, George B. Orlady, Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania, invited the Grand Masters of the several Grand Jurisdictions of the United States east of the Mississippi to attend a Masonic conference in Philadelphia as the guests of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on the dates above mentioned.

“Each of the Grand Masters invited, save one, accepted the invitation, but, unfortunately, seven were prevented by important business engagements from being present. The Grand Masters of Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire,

New Jersey, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania were personally present, while the District of Columbia and Georgia were represented by their Deputy Grand Masters, and Florida was represented by a Past Grand Master. The conference was presided over by the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, whose ready wit and genial personality won him the hearts of all present.

“The main purpose Brother Orlady had in view when he called this conference was to reconcile those differences in the laws of the several Grand Jurisdictions which have been the cause of so much irritation and misunderstanding. Right here I wish it to be distinctly understood that this conference was in no way intended to suggest the idea of a general, or sovereign, or national, Grand Lodge. One Grand Master did indeed ask the question, ‘If anything in the nature of a general Grand Lodge was to be suggested?’ whereupon every brother present, save one, emphatically expressed himself as being antagonistic to such a matter even being discussed. Personally I am firmly opposed to the idea, and can see no good purpose that it would serve. The Grand Lodge of South Carolina is sovereign and independent within its own Jurisdiction, and I feel confident that it will never submit to be governed by a general Grand Lodge.

“Every one who took part in this conference did so in the full knowledge that it had no legislative power whatever, that it could only suggest certain modifications in the existing laws of such Grand Lodges as were widely apart on minor points, not touching the fundamental law of any Grand Jurisdiction. And it was agreed that no Grand Master should recommend anything to his Grand Lodge that did not receive the unanimous approval of all present.

“It would take up too much time and space to review all the questions we discussed, so I will mention only those that had the unanimous endorsement of the conference.”

He then gives the eleven unanimous recommendations, commenting upon them, and then continues:

“ These eleven ‘ recommendations ’ were all unanimously passed by the conference. Many other matters of high importance were discussed, but time and space will not permit me to enumerate them here. The proceedings of the conference are printed in a handsome volume, a copy of which is in our Grand Lodge Library. The information contained in this volume will amply repay any brother for the time he may spend in its perusal.

“ In closing this reference to the Philadelphia conference, I wish to echo the words of Brother Eggleston, the Grand Master of Virginia, who visited our Grand Lodge two years ago: ‘ That the English language and Webster’s Unabridged Dictionary are utterly incapable of expressing our thanks to the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and its assistants, and to the city of Philadelphia, for their splendid hospitality. They know perfectly well that we will never forget this occasion, or them, as long as we live.’ ”

Brother MICHIE travelled more miles through his Jurisdiction this year than last, covering 7649 miles. We are sure the Craft is in better condition owing to his energy and discretion.

The Grand Master gives some correspondence between Past Grand Master MIKELS, of Indiana, who was at the Philadelphia Conference as the representative of the Grand Master of Indiana, and himself, with regard to a General Grand Lodge, and we are surprised to find in Brother MIKEL’s letter the statement:

“ The general grand conference as a permanent policy even in official circles. The general Grand Lodge is popular even in Pennsylvania among the masses of Master Masons.”

This is news to us as to Pennsylvania.

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Our good friend Grand Master MICHIE has become an "Eastern Star;" and is enthusiastic; he was already one of the brightest stars in the South Carolina Masonic firmament.

The part of the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence having to do with the recommendations, was laid over for consideration next year.

The Committee of Past Grand Masters appointed at the last Annual Communication to take into consideration the propriety of submitting an amendment to the Constitution, with the view of relaxing the physical qualifications of applicants for the degrees of Masonry as conferred in the Jurisdiction, and to report at this Communication, reported that the Committee have been unable to agree on any amendment, and asked to be discharged, and their request was granted. Subsequently, Past Grand Master WHITEHEAD proposed the following, which goes over to the next Annual Communication:

"That every candidate for initiation in this jurisdiction must be a man, freeborn, of mature and discreet age, having no maim or defect in his body or mind that may render him incapable of learning and practising the art, and who can comply literally with all the requirements of the Ritual as to initiation ceremonies, without artificial aid or friendly assistance."

In this we do not find mention of the requirement of the Ancient Charges "that he be descended of honest parents."

Grand Secretary BARRON, owing to illness was unable to have more than half of his report on Correspondence finished by the time of the Annual Communication, and asked and was granted further time. Later in the session, it was decided not to print any report on Correspondence this year.

We were sorry to be advised in a letter from Brother MICHIE, under date of September 16, that he had just received a telegram that Brother BARRON had entered into life

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eternal at Kansas City, Missouri. We desire to express our sympathy with our South Carolina Brethren in their loss.

It is pleasant to note that

“Right Worshipful Bro. Martin F. Ansel, Governor of South Carolina, being present, made a few appropriate remarks showing his continued interest in Masonry, and especially in the Masonic Home.”

Number of Lodges, not stated, but about 223 (the new Grand Secretary will perhaps in the future supply this omission); raised, 1064; total membership, 12,515. Receipts, including balance of \$11,779.85, were \$33,768.53; disbursements, \$17,569.03; balance, \$16,199.50.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES R. JOHNSON, of Charleston, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JACOB T. BARRON, since deceased, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

SOUTH DAKOTA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of South Dakota began its Thirty-sixth Annual Communication in the Hall of Pierre Lodge, No. 27, in the City of Pierre, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL A. BROWN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features form the frontispiece, is a long and interesting paper. It would seem that that Brother has made up his mind that King SOLOMON was the *first* Grand Master of Masons, which, to use an old phrase, “is interesting, if true.”

The Grand Master pays fitting tribute to the memories of Brothers CUNNINGHAM, of Ohio, and ROBBINS, of Illinois,

with whom he had sat at the "round table" of the Correspondents for nearly if not quite ten years.

He records also the pleasant surprise he received at the hands of the Brethren of his Lodge, who, on his return after installation as Grand Master, took time by the forelock, and presented him with a beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel.

He records the three Conferences of Grand Masters, at Boston, Philadelphia, and Baltimore; we may be permitted to correct the date as he gives it of the Boston Conference, that having been held, not on "St. John's Day in winter," but October 4-6, 1908, that time being better suited for the celebration by St. John's Lodge than August 31, upon which day, in 1733, it was constituted.

At the Philadelphia Conference, he says: "Under the masterful guidance of Brother Orlady there was much accomplished."

On the subject of a General Grand Lodge, Brother BROWN writes:

"The assembly together of the representatives of all the Grand Lodges for the purpose of conferring together upon matters of Masonic interest appears to me to be a very desirable thing, calculated to eliminate many causes of friction that might otherwise impair the cordial relations which are naturally the source of great pleasure and benefit to the Craft. But the formation of a General Grand Lodge is a revolution, the advantages of which are very problematical and open to question."

The Grand Master called attention to the "historic Grand Lodges of Germany and the Scandinavian States." He tells us that in Germany "exclusive jurisdiction is unknown. Eight Grand Lodges and five independent Blue Lodges have concurrent jurisdiction throughout the empire."

Fraternal relations are to be established with the eight German Grand Lodges and those of Denmark and Sweden, but the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Hungary were not recognized.

The following suggested rule regarding according recognition, proposed by Brother BROWN, we cannot favor:

“The recognition of a governing body of Master Masons in any country should be influenced by the attitude of the Craft nearest to them, and, no important objection being known, we ought to recognize those recognized as regular by their Masonic neighbors.”

Past Grand Masters are to be supplied with their appropriate jewel, a few each year, as funds will permit.

An interesting address was given by the Grand Orator, Brother M. F. MONTGOMERY.

We find the following in the record of the closing session, but can throw no further light upon it:

“DECISION IN OPEN LODGE.

“(A Contumacious Mason.)

“A brother has been tried in his Lodge, he has been found guilty of un-masonic conduct, and sentenced to reprimand. He refuses to submit to reprimand administered by the Worshipful Master, who is charged with the government of the Lodge and the enforcement of the law. This brother is a contumacious Mason, and so long as he remains in that condition he shall not enter the Lodge and take his seat in spite of the fact that he is Junior Warden.”

The retiring Grand Master was appointed a committee of one to prepare a digest of decisions of the Grand Masters of South Dakota.

A number of portraits are given, but the one of greatest interest to us is that of our lamented Brother FRANK JARED THOMPSON, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, who was the Committee on Correspondence of Dakota Territory, and who died February 25, 1910.

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The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother ARTHUR H. TUFTS, who, in turn this year, was assisted by Grand Master BROWN, who prepared five reviews.

Our Brother has prepared an excellent and interesting report, and he is by no means what he would seem to represent himself, under Alabama:

“Will Carlton has said ‘To make a man appreciate Heaven, give him a little taste of Hell,’ so the Brethren of the Round Table will appreciate Brother Brown all the better after tolerating a poor substitute for a short season.”

Under California, we quote:

“The Grand Orient of France is so generally regarded by English speaking brethren as un-Masonic that no trouble is experienced with that. But the Grand Lodge of France, a rival of the Grand Orient, claims to be regular, and so does the Grand Orient of Spain. Much correspondence was carried on by the Grand Master, which resulted in his refusal to permit the Grand Orient of Spain to masquerade as such with California Masons.

“There may be other and more serious objections but the Grand Orient of Spain has chartered, on paper, a whole swarm of Lodges in Pennsylvania, where Masonry in the United States began. This being ample no further investigations were made.

“We pause to say that the officials of the Grand Orient of Spain are represented as excusing their conduct by saying that they did it because the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania neglected to enter into fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of Spain, and the invasion of territory is done to force recognition. Recognition of a kind was forced, for now the entire world RECOGNIZES the fact that the Grand Orient of Spain is not Masonic in this action.”

The following, under Oklahoma, is of interest:

“ Question 10 discloses an unusual case: ‘ What should be done with a member who is elected to take the three degrees, and it is then discovered that he was already a Mason ? ’
Ans: ‘ He is guilty of misrepresentation. ’ We do not see where he has harmed or wronged any one—if he sees fit to take and pay for his degrees twice. Our form of petition does not call upon a candidate to declare that he has never been made a Mason, but asks whether he has ever been proposed and rejected. ’ ”

Grand Master BROWN makes a plea for the Navy in his review of New Hampshire:

“ Thirteen years of the early life of this writer were spent in the medical corps of the navy, with a legal residence hundreds of miles from salt water. He approached many Masons in that time in the hope of being received. It was not until after his resignation from the service that his desires could be gratified. In all the years of the service he was never at his legal residence long enough for a Lodge meeting to come around.

“ We suggest that a naval Lodge could be located at each of the navy yards, with the right to accept navy men, without regard to their legal domicile. Let the navy form a Grand Lodge of its own if it seemed feasible. Let them hold Lodge meetings on foreign stations where, as often happens, there are many ships lying inactive for weeks together in the far away waters of the world. These men would visit the Masons of many lands and learn and tell us about them so that we could know something definite about the Craft as it exists or is trying to exist throughout the world; and they could help those Masons to understand what the real fraternity is in this Masonic land.”

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Pennsylvania for 1909 is summarized by Brother TUFTS, beginning, "This large and splendid volume has for an introduction, a picture of their magnificent new Temple." We think it is "magnificent" but, having been dedicated more than 37 years ago, is hardly entitled to be called "new." Our Brother says he has read our report ("product of the ready pen of" the writer, who is wrongly entitled) "all through and could not quarrel with his [this writer's] opinions if we wanted to."

Number of Lodges, 121; initiated, 740; total membership, 8301, a gain of 666. Receipts, including balance of \$7,792.20, were \$15,452.00; disbursements, \$6,880.00; balance, \$8,571.40.

Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL S. LOCKHART, of Milbank, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, of Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

TEXAS—1909.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its Seventy-fourth Grand Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Waco, on Tuesday, December 7, A.D. 1909, and closed two days later, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother J. J. DAVIS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, a paper of great length, shows a careful and very conservative Brother, who has been diligent in the discharge of his duties.

Having learned that "the practices of the Grand Lodge Benito Juarez, in the State of Coahuila, Mexico, and the Lodges under it, are wholly and grossly unmasonic and subversive of the principles and landmarks of Freemasonry, in that the Great Light of Masonry has been practically banished from the Lodgerooms, and that it is no longer required

to appear upon their altars, and further that the Lodges themselves have degenerated until they have become little more than political clubs, using the sacred name of Masonry as a cloak for their unmasonic purposes," the Grand Master issued a circular letter to the Masons of Texas, suspending and withdrawing the recognition heretofore accorded to that Grand Lodge, and, after approving a report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, his action was sustained by the Grand Lodge.

Under "Foreign Relations," he says:

"I think the meeting held in the city of Philadelphia on June 1, 2 and 3, 1909, being a conference of the Grand Masters of Masons in the jurisdictions east of the Mississippi river, and the meeting in Baltimore, on November 16 and 17, 1909, of the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges in the United States must of necessity be productive of good results. These meetings were held with no idea, wish or intention, to foster the idea of a National Grand Lodge. I believe that in such a vast country as ours, and the Fraternity so widely dispersed, good must result from occasional meetings of the Grand Masters and the fraternal interchange of views upon subjects in which we are so deeply interested."

Most of his decisions were approved, not including the first ("Cornerstone of a building must be laid in the northeast corner of the building"), the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence being evidently of the opinion that "where MacGregor sits there is the head of the table."

In his conclusion, he indulges in a bit of what he calls "day-dreaming," which must have interested his hearers.

We are sorry to see so many unnecessary details in the reports of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals; we thought they were to be suppressed.

In addition to the Widows and Orphans' Home, which continues its great work, it seems that progress is being made with the Home for Aged Masons, under the auspices of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas, to which needy and worthy Master Masons, whether they are Royal Arch Masons or not, are to be admitted.

The Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was refused recognition.

From the report of the Committee on Masonic History, we see that our Grand Secretary was able to give valuable information as to one of the early Brethren active in Texas Masonry.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence has before it a petition from forty Master Masons for a dispensation to form a Lodge at Torreon, State of Coahuila, Mexico, which it felt constrained to disapprove, taking the ground that Texas is on terms of peace and amity with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, which Body has not withdrawn its recognition from the Grand Lodge Benito Juarez, mentioned above; so that the invasion of the territory of the Grand Lodge Benito Juarez might be resented by the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

We think that if Texas, either alone or with the co-operation of one or two other Jurisdictions, were to grant warrants for at least three Lodges in the country of Mexico, it would be possible to give that country a lawful and properly constituted Grand Lodge, which could be properly recognized by all the Grand Lodges in this country, and elsewhere.

We note that the Grand Lodge of Texas is both opened and closed "in due and ample form."

An interesting feature of the sessions was the entertainment furnished by the children of the Widows and Orphans' Home (at Fort Worth), and action was taken authorizing the bringing of a portion of the students, to be determined

by the Board of Directors, to any Communication the Board may deem expedient.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother THOMAS M. MATTHEWS, SR., who, owing to the feebleness of advanced age, was not able to attend the sessions of the Grand Lodge, and to whom affectionate greetings were sent by that Body. The dear Brother, who is mentally as bright and forceful as ever, in this, his twenty-fifth report, keeps up his high standard, summarizing ably and interestingly. In his "Prologue," he touches upon two matters: the inherent right or prerogative of a Grand Master to make a Mason at sight, and the status or relation of the negro race toward Freemasonry. On the first subject, he agrees with his Grand Lodge in refusing to recognize any such inherent right. We think our dear Brother is not accurate in placing the number of Grand Lodges that recognize the prerogative at six. On the second question, our Brother writes with all the certainty of youth.

Upon one matter, we should be glad to have our Brother reconcile his statements. Under Valle de Mexico, he states:

"In France, as we are informed, there is a Grand Orient and also a Grand Lodge. The former denies the existence of God and repudiates the Bible. The latter requires both. Therefore it is that Texas repudiates the one and both recognizes and fraternizes with the other."

Under Massachusetts, our Brother says:

"An application for recognition from the Grand Lodge of France was denied for the best of reasons, that 'with its ritual lacking in that reverence for God which we all employ, and the absence of the book of the Holy Scriptures from an essential part of the furniture and business of a Masonic Lodge, the institution is too far deprived of its principal features, and essential characteristics to bring

the petition in the class of Grand Lodges with which we [*i.e.*, Massachusetts] hold fraternal and official relations."

Pennsylvania for 1907 and 1908 receives careful attention in more than seven pages, an excellent summary being given of the matters of interest.

Grand Master ORLADY's inaugural was a "splendid address," from which extracts are given. Our report is reviewed, and our Brother thinks that "the Grand Master, who is elected to the office by the Grand Lodge and who is therefore its creature, is amenable to it and should have to answer to it for his acts." To answer our Brother's question, we may say that when the case suggested arises, it will be duly met. Of the Proceedings for 1908, our Brother says

"Grand Secretary Sinn has beaten the record, and is to be congratulated for his beautiful picture gallery."

Grand Master ORLADY's address in 1908, our Brother says:

"is an able, broad-guaged, Masonic paper, and proves that its author was easily one of the most earnest and efficient Grand Masters of the year; that the Craft was safe in his hands, and that it may well feel proud of its leader."

Referring to the restriction put upon our report, our Brother says:

"It is our opinion that these committees [*i.e.*, on Correspondence] should have discretion and sense enough to know what and how much to write, and they should have a free hand. If it is found that a committee cannot be trusted, change its personnel—discharge it and appoint another."

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There is truth in these words from his conclusion:

“Place the flower in the hand of your brother while he can reward you with a grateful smile. Do not wait until his cold and pallid lips are not able to utter thanks.”

Number of Lodges, 783, initiated 2270, total Master Masons 47,701, a gain, as we figure it, for Grand Secretary WATSON still fails to figure it for us, of 2987. (The rejections were 1116.) Receipts, including balance of \$32,266.95, were \$72,012.92; disbursements, including \$25,000.00 to the Widows and Orphans Fund, \$36,449.32; balance, \$35,563.60.

Most Worshipful Brother T. C. YANTIS, of Brownwood, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN WATSON, of Waco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

UTAH—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah began its Thirty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Ogden, on Tuesday, January 18, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FRED CLEMENT SCHRAMM, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a business-like paper, without unnecessary detail. It is good to have him say that the officers and members of the Lodges seem to be “more scrutinizing and particular in the selection of the material from which they are making Masons.”

In the report of Grand Secretary DIEHL as Grand Librarian, he records the receipt of “Proceedings of Grand Masters of Masons held at Philadelphia, June 1, 1909.”

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A recommendation of the Grand Master that at least two weeks must elapse "between the conferring of each degree," was adopted.

Referring to a report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, we are at a loss to know just what a Lodge of Master Masons had to do with trying a Brother charged with "having worn a finger ring upon which appeared emblems and symbols of the 32d degree when he was in fact not a 32d degree Mason."

We should be opposed to our Grand Lodge being incorporated under our State laws; and wonder why the Brethren of Utah should have thought best to incorporate under their laws.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master appropriately forms the frontispiece. The most interesting thing in these Proceedings is the portrait of our venerable Brother, the Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, who presents his thirty-fourth annual report as "Correspondent," which he suggests, in much as "it is the law of nature that all human life must end," may be his "swan-song," and says:

"And if it should be, would it be too much to ask our Brethren to read it. Not because we have written it, but because each Brother should keep himself informed of the wonderful momentum that prevails in the Masonic world. As we have said in previous reports a Mason to be a skilled Craftsman, must read and study its literature; he must delve deep down in its history to value its grandeur and real worth. For centuries the teachings and advanced ideas of Masonry has been a beacon light for Mankind and will be for centuries to come. It matters little how 'bright and well posted' a Mason may be, if he fails to read and keep himself informed of the real essentials of the Institution, he will never be a living stone on the Masonic Edifice.

“ We have sung that song year after year, and yet we suspect that not many of our Brethren and but very few who have stood on the top of the ladder in Grand Lodge and Lodges have ever read the pages of our Annual reports. They will spend hour after hour to commit to memory, parrot-like, the ritual, but for reading they have no time.”

For our dear Brother we make our own that prayer, which HORACE offered for the Emperor AUGUSTUS, “ *Serus in coelum redeas!* ”

Our Brother's report is full of interest. We find him agreeing with us as to what buildings should have the “ great and honorable privilege ” of having their cornerstone laid with Masonic ceremonies, and in thinking there is no danger of a National Grand Lodge materializing.

Under Kentucky, replying to Brother CLARKE, he says:

“ Anent your question: ‘ Are not Entered Apprentices Masons? ’ Our personal opinion is that they are and as such have certain inherent rights they should never have been deprived of. But the great wrong was done at the Philadelphia Convention in the early forties, when the Representatives of some twenty-five Grand Lodges in the United States, like fixed stars in the grandeur of their integrity, passed legislation that took nearly all the Masonic rights and privileges from the Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts and all it left them was to advance to the Degree of Master Mason; if failing to do so to remain forever a nil in the Masonic ranks. Some years ago we wrote in the minutes of our Lodge the words ‘ Entered Apprentice Mason ’ and were instructed by the ‘ Power that be ’ to erase the word ‘ Mason ’ because it was not in the Utah work. We obeyed. Our opinion of that Master had better not be written.

“ The great wrong done by that Philadelphia August Body has been denounced by many learned Masonic writers, and doubtless will be by many of the future, but whether it

will ever be made right is very doubtful. It reminds us of the advice Mephistopheles gives the student in Goethe's Faust:

‘All rights and laws are still transmitted
Like an eternal sickness of the race,
From generation unto generation fitted,
And shifted round from place to place.’”

“The Philadelphia Convention in the early forties,” referred to here, and elsewhere, by Brother DIEHL, we take to be “The National Masonic Convention held at Baltimore, Maryland,” from May 8 to May 17, 1843, whose Proceedings will be found in volume three of the “History of Freemasonry in Maryland,” by Brother EDWARD T. SCHULTZE. Pennsylvania was not represented at this Convention. We do not find *printed* any action such as Brother DIEHL states, but we can say that at the Quarterly Communication of our Grand Lodge held December 4, of that same year (1843), the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

“*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Grand Lodge that all Subordinate Lodges under this Jurisdiction should hold their meetings and transact all business, except the conferring of the lower degrees, lecturing thereon and election for officers in a Lodge of Master Masons.”

In 1857, when our Ahiman Rezon was revised, the election of officers was taken out of the exception, and directed to be held in a Master Masons' Lodge.

Under Missouri, referring to an anonymous circular which had been sent out opposing the advancement of a Brother who is a Hebrew to the elective position of Grand Junior Warden, stating that “there has never been a Jew elected to the position of Grand Master of Masons in the United States, Brother DIEHL well says:

“The persons—we cannot call them Brother Masons, be-

cause they never were such and never knew the first principle of Free Masonry—who wrote that infamous circular are not only contemptible cowards, but also first class ignoramuses and blockheads who never read the Correspondence Reports of Bros. Vincil and Anderson. If they had they never could have stated that no Hebrew had ever been elected Grand Master of Masons in the United States. Hebrews were Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Utah, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Mississippi, Montana, Alabama and Bro. Max Meyerhardt, who was Grand Master of Georgia continuously for seven long years. Bro. Louis Cohn, who was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah in 1873, is to-day as devoted, faithful and industrious a Mason as he was when he presided in the Grand East during the stormy days of the then Territory of Utah. With shame on the fellows who circulated that disgraceful letter we dismiss the case.”

Our Brother quotes our approval of the advancement of an Entered Apprentice Mason who, after his initiation had been maimed by an accident, which had it happened before initiation would have been a bar to such initiation. That is indeed this writer’s opinion, and here he differs from what is the law of his Jurisdiction; but so long as that continues to be the law, it will be loyally obeyed.

Brother DIEHL, in the opening of his review of Pennsylvania for 1908, after mentioning the illustrations and colored interior views of “the world-famed Temple,” says:

“The illustrations, which are preceded by a brief historical sketch written by the Librarian Julius F. Sachse, and the interior view are really not only instructive, but also artistic in their execution and beautiful coloring. It has been our custom to bind two copies of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge in one volume, but the present Proceedings are so charming and beautiful that we have had it bound in one volume. Our Brethren should call at the Library and

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enjoy the sight as we have enjoyed it, and do so whenever we look at it."

He speaks of Grand Master ORLADY's address as "a record of faithful service during the year," adding:

"We always believed that the Cradle of Free Masonry in this country stood in Philadelphia, and from evidences lately discovered and stated by the Grand Master in the address, there can be no further doubt about it."

Referring to our report and the limit of 100 placed upon it that year, Brother DIEHL writes that exceeding the limit only eight pages was close enough, adding:

"Bro. Lamberton inspected on the tour sixty-one Masonic gardens, picked here and there a real fragrant nosegay which will not wither for years to come. At least we know that the flowers and evergreen he gathered in Utah's little patch, planted by our Grand Lodge in 1908, will retain their sweetness as long as the writer is permitted to sprinkle the soil for future products."

Number of Lodges, 15; initiated, 133; total membership, 1638, a gain of 114. Receipts, including balance of \$2,211.45, were \$4,895.95; disbursements, \$2,226.44; balance, \$2,669.51.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES BRUERTON JACK, of Salt Lake City, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, of Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

VERMONT—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Vermont began its One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Burlington, on Wednesday, June 15,

A.D. 1910, and closed the following morning, two sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother LEE S. TILLOTSON, Grand Master.

The pleasantly familiar features of the Grand Master form the frontispiece, and his annual address is excellent. His administration was, as we should expect, forceful and clear cut. He issued an edict forbidding Masonic intercourse with one CHARLES KEITH, a resident of Barre, who claimed to have been made a Mason in Aberdeen, Scotland, while on a visit of only a few weeks' duration, "until such time as he shall receive the Masonic degrees in a regular manner as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Vermont."

Of the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia, he says:

"This conference was held June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1909 (just prior to our last annual communication), and the circumstances which led to it, and certain facts in connection therewith, were detailed in my address to you last year.

"The proceedings of this conference were all stenographically reported and owing to the fact that the printed proceedings were not then available, and the very short time which elapsed between the conference and our annual session, I did not attempt last year to go into details or make recommendations.

"Through the generosity of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the proceedings of that conference have been printed and handsomely bound, and a copy furnished every Grand Lodge in the United States.

"Nineteen Grand Lodges were represented at the conference. It was thoroughly understood that the representatives in the conference had no authority to bind their respective Grand Lodges, the object being merely to confer upon mooted questions, agree upon the same, if possible, and recommend

such action as the case might require in order to bring the Grand Lodges themselves into harmony.

“The conference unanimously agreed upon eleven recommendations. Subsequently at another conference of Grand Masters held in Baltimore, Md., November 17, 1909 (mention of which is made in another place in this address) at which twenty-six grand jurisdictions were represented, nine of which were not represented at Philadelphia, the recommendations of the Philadelphia conference were unanimously adopted. Consequently the recommendations of the Philadelphia conference now stand approved by the Grand Masters (or their representatives) of twenty-eight Grand Lodges in the United States, including all of our near neighbors.

“This Grand Lodge is already in harmony with the recommendations of the Philadelphia conference except two, and I therefore call attention only to those.

“1. The form of ‘Renunciation’ used in Pennsylvania (see page 82, Proceedings of Philadelphia conference) should be required from petitioners who have been identified with clandestine bodies.

“2. No petition to be made a Mason should be received from one previously rejected in another grand jurisdiction within five years after such rejection, until the rejecting lodge has by unanimous ballot waived its claim of jurisdiction.”

From the report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, which was accepted and adopted, we quote:

“Upon consideration of the Grand Master’s report as to the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia last year, and the printed proceedings of that conference furnished us through the courtesy of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, your Committee strongly approves the motive which prompted such a conference, and we take this opportunity to express the wish that similar meetings may be held in the future.

We approve the action of our Grand Master in attending that conference and the attitude which he assumed therein upon all questions that came before it. This Grand Lodge is to be congratulated upon being already so nearly in harmony with other Grand Jurisdictions upon interjurisdictional questions and matters of general interest to the craft, and in the interests of harmony which should always prevail, not only within our own confines, but in our relations with sister jurisdictions, we recommend that the proposals of the Philadelphia conference quoted by the Grand Master, relating to the form of renunciation to be required from petitioners who have been identified with clandestine bodies, and the period of jurisdiction over rejected petitioners, be adopted by the Grand Lodge."

By a vote of 110 to 174, the Grand Lodge refused to increase the Temple per capita tax from thirty cents to fifty cents per member of each Lodge for a period of four years only, "at which time the Temple debt will be liquidated."

Not finding the account in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, we quote from the report of Grand Secretary Ross, who on February 22, 1909, at the request of Grand Master TILLOTSON, and as his representative at Alexandria, Virginia, attended a meeting with Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22 (formerly No. 39 on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania), the following for the information of our Brethren:

"Proceedings of Preliminary Meeting to Organize the 'Washington Masonic Memorial Association' to erect a Memorial to 'Washington—the Mason,' held in Alexandria, Va., February 22, 1910.

"In response to a call and an urgent appeal and endorsement, previously sent by Worshipful Joseph W. Eggleston (the then Grand Master of Masons in Virginia), eighteen representatives of the several Grand Lodges assembled in this

city at the appointed time and place and with Most Worshipful William B. McChesney, our present Grand Master, presiding, immediately began the consideration of the subject in question.

“On motion, the following Committee on Permanent Organization was appointed:

“Honorable James D. Richardson, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite (representing Tennessee), Chairman; T. J. Shryock, Maryland; D. D. Darrah, Illinois; Henry Banks, Georgia; H. H. Ross, Vermont; Thomas J. Day, Delaware; J. H. Cowles, Kentucky; J. R. Johnson, South Carolina; H. H. Nichols, Texas; J. K. M. Norton, Robert S. Barrett and Charles H. Callahan, No. 22, Virginia, who after deliberation reported the following resolutions and plan, which were unanimously adopted by the council:

“WHEREAS, Alexandria, Virginia, was the home town of George Washington, he being a member of its Council, a vestryman in Christ Church, and First Master of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, Alexandria's citizens first celebrating his birthday, its soldiers, physicians, ministers and Masons ministering to him in life and in death, the Alexandria-Washington Lodge possessing, as priceless heirlooms, many of the personal effects and Masonic treasures of this man, whom Heaven left childless that a nation might call him father;

“And, whereas, it has been aptly said that ‘until time shall be no more, will a test of the progress, which our race has made in wisdom and virtue, be derived from the veneration paid to the immortal name of Washington’;

“Now, therefore, be it *resolved*:

“First: That we approve and endorse the proposed erection of a Masonic Temple as a memorial to George Washington, under the auspices of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, A. F. & A. M., of Alexandria, Virginia.

“Second: That we do now organize the Washington Masonic Memorial Association according to the following plan:

“I.—Name. The name of this Association shall be ‘The Washington Masonic Memorial Association.’

“II.—Object. The object of this Association shall be to assist in the erection of a suitable Masonic Memorial to George Washington, in the form of a Temple in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, provided that, at least, one floor therein be set apart forever as a Memorial Hall to be under the control of the several Grand Jurisdictions in the United States of America.

“III.—Membership. The active members of this Association shall be composed of the Grand Masters of the several Grand Jurisdictions of the United States of America, who shall identify themselves herewith and one properly accredited representative from each Grand Jurisdiction, chosen in such manner and for such time as it may prescribe.

“There may be also Honorary Members, under such conditions as may be prescribed by the Masonic Memorial Committee of the Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, A. F. & A. M.

“Third: That all funds raised for this Memorial be turned over to the Treasurer of the Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, A. F. & A. M., of Alexandria, Virginia.

“Fourth: That we pledge our earnest support to this commendable undertaking and that all Grand Masters are earnestly requested to call the same to the attention of the lodges within their several Jurisdictions and urge upon them their hearty co-operation and assistance.

“Done in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on the twenty-second day of February, A.D. 1910.

“Grand Master William B. McChesney having been introduced by the Master of Washington Lodge as the presiding officer of the occasion, said in part:

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“ * * * ‘By the grace of God and invitation of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, we are here to-day to begin an organization, which we hope will be as lasting as the memory of him, whose birthday we celebrate. In the beginning I wish to state that this is a function entirely of Alexandria-Washington Lodge. I, like other representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions, am an invited guest. They have conceived this to be something that is due the nation. Having for their first Master, Worshipful Brother George Washington, they necessarily feel that he is of them and is theirs. They have priceless relics of his life surrounding them and as they wish to preserve them, they propose to make this a national organization. If they desired to have a building simply as an ornament to their city and to their lodge, all they would have to do would be to present at public auction these sacred relics. With the proceeds, they could erect the finest Temple in Virginia, but appreciating their history and believing that the other Grand Jurisdictions feel interested in Brother Washington, as they do, they come before you with this proposition, that the matter may be taken up as a national project.’ ”

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MARSH O. PERKINS, but, unfortunately, owing to illness, he was able to review but 33 Jurisdictions, Pennsylvania not being one; for next year we are promised by Grand Secretary Ross, “a double dose.”

We learned of Brother PERKINS’ illness with great regret, and hope for return of good health speedily.

Under Delaware, referring to the Mississippi-New Jersey episode, Brother MARSH well inquires:

“But why stop with New Jersey? To be consistent, the same steps should be taken with England, Scotland, Ireland and other foreign Grand Lodges, with which Delaware

is amicably related—‘All pretended negro Masons in Delaware’ may be ‘spurious and clandestine’—in fact all ‘pretended’ Masons of any color, race or other distinction are Masonically illegitimate. Why then single out New Jersey, as a pariah on the color line? If ‘Masonry encircles the globe, and is exerting a powerful influence for good in the amelioration and happiness of the human race,’ as he says in his ‘Conclusion,’ why should a single lodge in New Jersey be held as of the outer darkness?”

Under England, he fails to understand (as do we) how, with the Pro Grand Master on the throne, the Grand Lodge could be opened “in due form” and closed “in ample form.”

Under Indiana, we agree:

“It is our belief that initiation makes the Mason, notwithstanding the emasculation of the E. A. in the first half of the last century.”

We agree with him in believing that an Entered Apprentice has the right to make answer to objections to his advancement, and in disapproving the laying of the cornerstone of a bank building with Masonic ceremonies.

Under New Hampshire, Brother PERKINS calls in question the historical statement as to the body granting the charter of the Lodge at Hanover in that Jurisdiction, as given by Grand Master SAWYER.

Number of Lodges, 104; initiated, 583; total membership, 12,931, a gain of 279. Receipts, including balance of \$4,349.60, were \$9,526.08; disbursements, \$5,263.36; balance, \$4,262.72.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY L. BALLOU, of Chester, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HENRY H. ROSS, of Burlington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

VIRGINIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Thirty-second Grand Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, on Tuesday, February 8, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JOSEPH W. EGGLESTON, M.D., Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is the record, interestingly presented, of a second year of unremitting activity and zeal.

There is food for thought in the following from the early portion of his address:

“One lesson I have learned that all should learn. I fear that some among you, prosperous and successful, educated, and surrounded by every comfort, with congenial environment in your private lives, do not fully realize what Masonry means to others less happily situated. To some it is all the education they have; its Ritual their only instruction in the higher ideals and finer things of life, and that Ritual clothed in language that is to them sublime. Many of them look forward all the month to the Lodge meeting. Its comfortable room and its genial companionship are the bright spots in many meagre lives of toil and discomfort. They enjoy the handshake of their brethren as some of you can never realize. Let us be more careful, brethren, in our treatment of them. Which of us would knowingly send one poor brother home wounded and sick at heart? And yet I fear we often thoughtlessly do and never know it.”

Under the heading of “Visitations—Foreign” Brother EGGLESTON writes:

“I was invited to be a guest of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania June 1st, 2d and 3d. All the Grand Masters east

of the Mississippi River were invited, that being the United States at the peace of 1783. I took advantage of the fact that I was due in Philadelphia on Monday to spend Sunday in Fredericksburg with Worshipful Clarence R. Howard, at his beautiful home, 'Kenmore,' once the home of Washington's sister, Mrs. Betty Lewis. On arriving at Philadelphia I reported at the Bellevue-Stratford, where we were all entertained in a manner never to be forgotten. Each meal—and there were never less than four or five a day—was a gorgeous banquet. Grand Master Orlady, himself the prince of hosts, was assisted by Brothers Lewis E. Beitler and J. Warner Hutchins, and their superiors as entertainers are not to be found in America. Nineteen jurisdictions were represented. We were shown the Philadelphia work, different from any other in America; introduced and permitted to address the Grand Lodge, and banqueted in the Temple, which building I will describe in the one word, 'matchless.' We held three long conferences on Masonic matters of common interest to all. All we said was stenographically taken down and made into a book, my copy of which I have put into the hands of Most Worshipful S. J. Quinn, for such report to you as he, the chairman of your History Committee, may think necessary. We were shown Philadelphia, Fairmount Park and the renowned Valley of the Wissahickon in automobiles, and at last, apparently reluctantly, permitted to return to our respective homes. We were one and all in love forever with Pennsylvania Masons."

As Brother SHRYOCK is so well known in Pennsylvania, we quote further the account of the Baltimore Conference:

"November 16th and 17th all the Grand Masters in the United States were invited to the one hundred and twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and the dedication of their sumptuous Temple, finished in marble throughout. While Grand Master Shryock, from

innate modesty, did not say so in his invitation, I was aware that his brethren proposed on that occasion to elect him Grand Master for the twenty-fifth time. We were entertained in a manner peculiar to Baltimore, and fed on duck, terrapin and fluids to match; feasted as only Baltimore can feast mortal man, and shown every attention and courtesy possible to conceive. Besides our Masonic entertainment, we were guests at a reception and a magnificent spread tendered by Mrs. Shryock at their home.

“One feature I must, from patriotic motives, mention specially. When we arrived in automobiles, after having been shown the city and surroundings, at the Maryland Country Club, we were met at the gate by a uniformed band, which preceded us to the club house, playing the ‘Star-Spangled Banner.’ We all stood with hats removed as we drove up.

“During our stay we attended the Grand Lodge sessions, including the dedication and installation. A feature was the announcement that Grand Master Orlady, of Pennsylvania, had been elected an honorary Past Grand Master of Maryland, and he was presented with a jewel.

“A Conference of Grand Masters was held, which adopted all the resolutions previously agreed upon at the Philadelphia Conference, and unanimously disclaimed any sympathy with any movement looking toward a National Grand Lodge or other National Organization.

“In commemoration of this unusual event, and both as a souvenir of our delightful entertainment, and also to mark that silver jubilee, I now, on behalf of the Grand Masters there assembled, present to you, Most Worshipful Brother Shryock, this urn, or loving cup, inscribed with our facsimile autographs. You earned our gratitude and love; accept it at my hands as representing the others who cannot be here. No words of mine could fitly express what each and all would wish me, if I could, to convey to you of their love and esteem.”

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A footnote is added as follows:

“At this point a Past Master walked up to the Grand East from the audience, bearing the cup, and handed it to Grand Master Shryock. The orchestra and quartette struck up the tune ‘Maryland, My Maryland,’ and the entire Grand Lodge joined in singing the following Ode, composed for the occasion by P. G. M., S. J. Quinn:

“Your Mystic Chief is on our shore,
Maryland, my Maryland!
We welcome him and ‘forty more,’
Maryland, my Maryland!
We’ll feast him with our best in store,
From basement to the attic floor,
He shall forget us, ‘nevermore,’
Maryland, my Maryland!

For us we know his love is strong,
Maryland, my Maryland!
‘The Mystic Tie’ will be his song,
Maryland, my Maryland!
We’ll greet him with a joyous throng,
And make his visit one ‘sweet song,’
Because we all go ‘right along,’
Maryland, my Maryland!

You live so near Virginia’s shore,
Maryland, my Maryland!
He might have been here oft before,
Maryland, my Maryland!
We’ll ‘toast’ him thrice, yea ‘three times more,’
Ere he returns to Baltimore,
That he may know ‘we’re all galore,’
Maryland, my Maryland!”

Under the heading of “Old Records,” our Brother writes:

“While in Philadelphia in June, I found the Secretary’s old record books, two in number, stolen during the Civil War from Kilwinning Crosse Lodge, No. 2, Port Royal, Va. They were being offered for sale at the price of two hundred

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and fifty dollars. I asked that they be held until I could consult our Past Grand Masters, which was agreed to. The negotiations were held in the Museum of the Temple, and at this point that splendid man and Mason, Brother Julius F. Sachse, Grand Librarian, took me aside and offered to pay for them for us and wait any necessary time. It was a generous offer, because I knew that but for his consideration for us he would have bought them for their Museum, even if at a far greater price. His act deserves your recognition and gratitude."

With the Proceedings is bound up an "Historic Sketch of Port Royal Kilwinning Crosse Lodge, No. 2, Taken from Its Old Records" by Brother WILLIAM L. ANDREWS, Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden.

The first *nine* of the eleven unanimous recommendations of the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia are printed in the report of the Committee on History, and, with the exception of the fifth and eighth, which are not applicable to Virginia, were adopted by the Grand Lodge. We looked for some note as to the omission of the last two of the unanimous recommendations, but failed to find it.

We find a resolution given requesting the Grand Master to appoint an Emeritus Grand Chaplain and a Grand Chaplain, but no action regarding it is stated; however, we presume it was adopted, as the Grand Master made both appointments.

We are pleased to note the election of our friend, Brother JAMES ALSTON CABALL, as Grand Senior Deacon, placing him in-line for the Grand Mastership.

The well-deserved tribute paid to the retiring Grand Master by the Committee on Grand Master's Address, must have warmed our Brother's heart.

We cannot help wondering how it comes that our Virginia Brethren should attach such supreme importance to the provision regarding the duty of the Secretary to notify the

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Grand Secretary and the District Deputy Grand Master of any change in the office of Master or Secretary, that they place it upon the *front* cover of their Proceedings.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master naturally and appropriately forms the frontispiece.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman of the Committee, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Dr. JOSEPH W. EGGLESTON, who has found time amid his multifarious duties to cull for his Brethren's edification so many of the good things he has met with in his careful examination of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions.

Upon the Mississippi-New Jersey matter, the views of a Virginian will be of interest; we quote, under Alabama:

“What surprises us most is the authorship of the report. We had supposed that all at the round table were aware of the fact that England, Nova Scotia, and perhaps other British Jurisdictions, have negro lodges, and even were New Jersey alone in this position we had hoped that all writers on Foreign Correspondence would agree in the broad principle that a question of internal policy of this sort was strictly the affair of a Sovereign Grand Lodge and not to be questioned by others as, pardon the expression, none of their business. There are no negro Masons in Virginia, but not because we have ever legislated on color lines. The subject was ‘a sleeping dog,’ and ought to be permitted to go to sleep again. We can all be sorry for New Jersey, and there are thousands of splendid men among her Masons whom we can respect and honor, and the few negroes in Alpha Lodge need never trouble our sleep. It is at least creditable to them that they do not fellowship the spurious Prince Hall crowd.”

Under Idaho, Brother EGGLESTON says, concerning what is “a serious problem before us”:

“A considerable number of men are everywhere petition-

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ing Lodges for the sole purpose of becoming Shriners. Some of them would perhaps make good Masons, but the fun and the glamour of the Shrine distracts their attention and they get a false idea of Masonry. Few men have a keener sense of humor or enjoy a little fun more than this writer, and yet the fact is patent that some remedy will soon be a necessity for the grave injury the Shrine is doing Masonry. It is astounding, but it is a fact, that not only the outside world but many of our own number look upon the Shrine as the highest degree of Masonry. Would it not be well for the Shrine to cease requiring that their candidates be Masons? Or must Grand Lodges take drastic action?"

Our Pennsylvania Brethren will be interested, under Illinois:

"To those interested in these reviews, and to the younger scribes, we again relate that more than twenty years ago there was what was known as 'The Big Six' in Masonic literary circles. It consisted of the following reviewers: Drummond, of Maine; Vaux, of Pennsylvania; Vincil, of Missouri; Parvin, of Iowa; Robbins, of Illinois, and Drinkard, of Virginia. The last of these to lay down the pen was Joseph Robbins, M.D., of Illinois. He died July 19, 1909, at Quincy."

and, under New Mexico:

"The Committee on Grand Master's Address picked him to pieces—more than we can admire, for the address was a good one. Western Masons exalt our Democracy to the injury of our Autocracy. Both are essentials as balances each to the other. Pennsylvania never refers the Grand Master's address or anything he does to anybody. It is law until a successor rules otherwise."

We take it our Brother has no use for indexes to Proceedings, but the devil (the printer's, of course) has taken liber-

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ties with our Brother's text, both in mixing up lines and, on the following page, in making an omission.

Under Wyoming, replying to Brother KUYKENDALL's request for proof that Grand Masters existed before the Grand Lodge of England, Brother EGGLESTON says:

"We refer him to Mackey who speaks as of record of the Earl of St. Albans', Grand Master in 1663, and also of Prince Edwin with his 'free charter' purchased from Athelstane in 926. English Masons, so Mackey says, have long had traditions of the annual assemblies for the purpose of electing the Grand Master. He should bear in mind that recorded history is scarcely to be expected of an institution which was so scrupulously secret as was ours in olden times. Besides at the formation of the Grand Lodge all Masonic papers obtainable were destroyed from motives which are not known, but are certainly questionable."

Pennsylvania for 1908 receives consideration. Referring to Grand Master ORLADY, he says:

"The Grand Master is a splendid man. He is six feet three, with a brain to correspond with his physique and a heart out of proportion too large."

After a generous extract from the historical part of the Grand Master's address, our Brother says:

"There is much more of equal interest. Indeed, Pennsylvania has a sort of fad on her history, and a good and commendable fad it is."

He quotes from our report, saying most kindly of us:

"We have long contended vigorously with him in these reviews, and yet found him geniality and charm personified when we met him and associated with him in Philadelphia last June. We learned, too, that he is greatly beloved by all.

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“He declined our prescription of Virginia lithia water as not needed, and we have concluded that he is right and now wish to change it to ambrosia.”

We shall be delighted to have this indeed “beloved physician,” share with us in taking this, his latest prescription.

Number of Lodges, 312; raised, 1316; total membership, 20,732, a gain of 1143. Receipts, including balance of \$338.37, were \$34,992.51; disbursements, \$34,688.28; balance, \$304.23.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. MCCHESENEY, of Staunton, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. CARRINGTON, of Richmond, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

WASHINGTON—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington began its Fifty-third Annual Communication in the City of Tacoma, on Tuesday, June 21, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, six sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM RAY BAKER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, shows a wisely conservative Brother. The question of laying the cornerstone of the State Reformatory coming up, he decided in its favor because “the institution is established for the purpose of reforming rather than for a penal one.”

He explained his reasons for incorporating the Grand Lodge:

“as the law provides a penalty for wearing an emblem or using the name of a society first incorporated,”

His action was approved. He is not in favor of a National Grand Lodge, but is in favor of a National Convention of Grand Lecturers.

The virtue of charity was the theme of the Grand Orator, Brother WILLIAM J. SUTTON.

The relations with the Valle de Mexico formed the subject of a special report from Brother CHADWICK, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and from the letter therein given of Brother W. H. SEAMON, formerly Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence of New Mexico, but now a resident of Chihuahua, Mexico, we quote:

“At the last meeting, held March 24–25, we adopted a new Constitution and By-Laws, modelled after those of New Mexico. The Mexicans were dissatisfied with this and the result of the election of officers and many retired in high anger. They have announced that they will not remain under American Masonic control, consequently they have left us for all time, as we are in control; propose to remain there, and do not care to have any Scottish Rite Lodges, particularly Mexicans, working under us.

“The Mexicans have now submitted a proposition for a peaceable separation, and we propose to make an arrangement with them, by which we will have one Grand Lodge of the York, or American, Rite, for the entire Republic, working and chartering only Lodges in that Rite and for the English language; we now have every Lodge of that description under us. The Mexicans propose to work the Scottish Rite in Spanish, along the lines they have always followed. We make this arrangement, for the reason that we do not care to be under the control of Mexicans of the Scottish Rite, and because we think we avoid trouble from possible political developments in the near future.

“I feel certain we will retain all of the recognition from United States Grand Lodges that we now hold; I expect to lose the recognition of all the Latin Scottish Rite Grand

Lodges in the world, which will be welcomed. I hope we will quickly receive the recognition of all the York Rite Grand Lodges of the world and that there will be very little discussion of the question, as I am now growing old and I wish to see the Mexican question finally settled before I die. I would be embarrassed, should I meet in the Celestial Grand Lodge a brother who denied me recognition on earth.

“I know we will have to meet the objection of two Grand Lodges occupying the same jurisdiction. I answer this—1. The Grand Lodges of Scotland, Ireland and England jointly occupy certain colonies of the British nation. 2. Is a Grand Lodge of the Scottish Rite, particularly when it uses the French Ritual, a regular Grand Lodge, measured by York Rite Standard? 3. In the United States there are in nearly every state two Grand Lodges, both working the same Rite in the English language, one is composed of whites; the other, of negroes; the latter is very properly considered clandestine; cannot the same charity in thought be extended to the Americans in Mexico, who have to contend with conditions in a foreign country?”

We are somewhat surprised to find Brother CHADWICK recommending that, “if the proposed arrangement be worked out, and upon proper notice,” the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico (York Rite) be recognized as “a sovereign and independent Masonic body.” That seems to us a contradiction. His recommendation was adopted.

It would seem to us natural that the Mexican Brethren should be the Brethren to control a *Mexican* Grand Lodge.

A site is still to be looked for for the Masonic Home by the Committee, but they are not authorized to purchase.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother STEPHEN JAMES CHADWICK, who gives us another interesting and full report. After, in his conclusion referring to the two questions of the

hour (Can a Grand Master make a Mason at sight? and, Should there be a National Grand Lodge?), he writes:

“When properly understood and applied it may be said that the Grand Master may make a Mason at sight; that is, he may open an occasional Lodge, and *confer* the degrees one after another, dispensing with the ballot and the probationary period (which at best is statutory); but the right to make a Mason by obligating him in the three degrees and rendering the explanatory lectures in his presence, as was done in the TAFT case, has no warrant in reason or authority, nor is it to be sustained by precedent worthy of the name.”

The following, under Alabama, may amuse our Brethren:

“The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment for the purpose of receiving a delegation from the Eastern Star. Felicitations were exchanged and a bouquet of flowers presented to the Grand Master. This is a pleasant diversion and no harm can come from it, but as loyal as we are to the Eastern Star, we deplore the present tendency of the ‘sisters’ to work their propensity to go calling on a Masonic Grand Lodge.”

Under California, we are pleased to have Brother CHADWICK say:

“We desire to emphasize the fact that the examination of a visitor should be an examination of the visitor and not a show of proficiency on the part of the Examining Committee, as it too frequently is.”

Under Michigan, commenting upon the account of the laying of a cornerstone where the daughter of an ex-President was given a part, our Brother comments with vigor and sense as follows:

“For silliness and disregard of Masonic proprieties we think this ‘takes the cake.’

“The disposition to patronize somebody who is the son or daughter of somebody else is disgusting, and entirely out of place at a Masonic function and is inconsistent with the spirit of American institutions.

“If the Michigan Grand Lodge desired to honor woman, because of her worth, it could have found, we apprehend, somewhere in Grand Rapids one who had played a woman's part, one who had fed the hungry, clothed the naked and ministered to the sick, or in some way earned recognition for herself and her sex.

“But, of course, such was not within the range of the Grand Master's vision. He yielded to a silly demand on the part of some that the scion of greatness might be put in view of the crowd, and all might see her without tearing each other to pieces. In other words, he reduced a serious and solemn Masonic function to the level of vaudeville.”

As to Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN being a Grand Master, our Brother, under Nebraska, truly says:

“Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN was not a Grand Master of Masons and in all probability was not even a Mason. It is so thoroughly proved by GOULD that, waiving the rule of reasonable doubt, we can say truthfully that it would be impossible in a court of equity to convict the King's Architect of having been a Mason.”

We agree, under New Mexico:

“Bro. WORTH's statement that the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States ‘gave up,’ of their own free will, the right to confer the symbolic degrees, is a mis-statement that should not be tolerated or allowed to go unchallenged.

“The Northern and Southern Jurisdictions did not give up anything in the sense of voluntarily surrendering something that belonged to them. Under the coercion of Masonic

sentiment they refrained from working the three degrees. We know of our own knowledge that the idea is entertained by many who are eminent in the Scottish Rite Councils in this country that the so-called waiver of the three degrees is not a surrender at all, but a right held in abeyance. Else why do they admit the right in other countries? ”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed. We quote:

“Bro. ORLADY was the proposer of the conference of Grand Masters which convened in Philadelphia. We do not ‘view with alarm’ these gatherings, as do some of our brethren. There is no possibility of a National Grand Lodge, the probability is too remote for consideration, and the need of one exists only in the minds of a few, as, for instance, Past Grand Master MIKELS, of Indiana.”

and again:

“Grand Master ORLADY is one of the ‘big’ men among those prominent in the Masonic world, and, as is usual with such characters, does not fence or trim in dealing with matters calling for his attention, as the following will witness: ”

proceeding to quote.

Our report (“which ranks in the first class”) receives consideration, and we are pleased to learn that our Brother TYLER, Washington’s able and efficient Grand Secretary, “has entirely recovered and is ‘his own sweet self’ again.”

Number of Lodges, including three under dispensation, 168; initiated, 1015; total membership, 14,473, a gain of 1068. The largest Lodge has 660 members. Receipts, including balance of \$13,305.80, were \$28,507.85; disbursements, \$18,300.48; balance, \$10,207.37.

Most Worshipful Brother JEREMIAH NETERER, of Bellingham, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HORACE WALTER TYLER, of Tacoma, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

WEST VIRGINIA—1909

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of West Virginia began its Forty-fifth Annual Communication in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of Wheeling, on Wednesday, November 10, A.D. 1909, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother EMMETT M. SHOWALTER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a full and interestingly prepared account of a year's faithful and zealous stewardship. He reports two unique occurrences:

“ On the 26th of April, 1909, at the cordial solicitation of the brethren of Franklin Lodge No. 7, I went to Buckhannon, W. Va., and participated in an event unique in the annals of corner-stone laying. The occasion was the laying of three corner-stones of public structures in one city on the same day. I convened a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge for the purpose, and personally presided at the laying of the stone for the public school building and for the Baptist Church, while Worshipful R. B. Morris, Master of Franklin Lodge, laid the stone for the United Brethren Church.

“ On October 9th at the request of the proper committee, forwarded to me through the Grand Secretary, M. W. H. R. Howard, I convened the Grand Lodge in Special Communication at Point Pleasant for the purpose of unveiling and dedicating the Point Pleasant Battle Monument, erected by appropriations of the State Legislature and the National Congress to commemorate the great Indian battle fought there on October 10, 1774, and which has also recently been designated as the first battle of the American Revolution. I realized that to convene the Grand Lodge for this purpose was, to say the least, unusual, and yet we find precedents for similar ceremonies in New York and Connecticut; and

seeing nothing in the ceremony that would necessarily violate any landmark or ancient usage of Masonry, I yielded to persuasion, and with the assistance of the Grand Secretary, prepared a special ritual for the occasion."

The account of the Special Communication at the dedication of the monument gives the ceremonies in full, which were admirably prepared and adapted for the unusual occasion. No less than twelve dispensations were granted for the laying of cornerstones.

Of his 39 decisions, but one, which gave too much authority to a District Deputy Grand Master, was qualified.

Of the Conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia in 1909, Brother SHOWALTER speaks, in part, as follows:

"It was my pleasure to accept the invitation and my privilege to be present during the entire conference and at the Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, referred to. Nearly all of those invited to the conference were present. The occasion was a very notable one, a very delightful one, and a very profitable one. The entertainment was cordial and elaborate. The associations formed were pleasant in the extreme.

"The conference lasted for a period of four days, the business session extending from 10 a. m. until 2 p. m. each day, the remainder of the time being devoted to partaking of such refreshments and entertainment as the city and environs of Philadelphia could afford. The temptation is strong to describe it, but the adjectives at my command are not sufficient. The entire proceedings of the convention were stenographically reported, and have since been published in a very handsome volume of 250 pages, which has been copyrighted and distributed, one to each Grand Master and Grand Secretary in the United States. Of course the host, Judge Orlady, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, presided at the conference, and I can not give you a clearer outline of

its plan and scope than to quote in part from his introductory remarks: ”

which he then does.

The recommendations of the Conference were presented and amendments to the Laws and Regulations were offered and laid over for final action till next year, regarding several points where the West Virginia usage differed, and the forms of petition, substantially, and of renunciation, were adopted by resolution. The Grand Lodge passed finally the amendment offered last year whereby “all jurisdiction is hereby waived over rejected candidates after the expiration of three years from such rejection, who have removed to other Grand Jurisdictions.”

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

Apparently there comes a time when patience ceases to be a virtue, so that hereafter if the Representative of a Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of West Virginia “shall absent himself from three successive Grand Annual Communications without having presented an excuse satisfactory to the Grand Master, the Grand Master may declare said office vacant and proceeding the regular way to fill said vacancy.”

The proposal of the Grand Master that the resolution of 1901 granting to chapters of Eastern Stars permission to occupy Masonic Lodge-rooms be rescinded, was not adopted.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master, whom it was our pleasure to meet at the Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters last November, naturally and properly forms the frontispiece.

We regret that in the introductory part of our last report on Correspondence, where we stated the provisions of the various Grand Lodges in the United States regarding the requirement of the production of documentary evidence of good Masonic standing from visitors to Lodges who are not vouched for, the words “West Virginia. No regulation.” were omitted by accident.

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The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Grand Secretary HOWARD, his fourth, and it has been his

“aim in preparing this report to keep steadily in view that it is more especially intended for the information and edification of the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction rather than others, hence in my gleaning from the thousands of pages presented and read by me I have relied upon my judgment as to what would be most conducive to that end. I submit it, my brethren, with an expression of hope that you will find in it sufficient to interest and inform you of what is transpiring in other Grand Jurisdictions, and inspire you to higher standards of Masonic thought, practice and life, and that the labor and cost incident to its preparation have not been thrown away.”

Our Brother has prepared a report quite in line with his aim, and his Brethren will appreciate it.

The following, under Massachusetts, should move the Brethren of that ancient Grand Lodge:

“It is a source of regret that this venerable Grand Lodge furnishes no Report on Foreign Correspondence. Located at or near the seat of so much learning, with so many talented and learned brothers enrolled in its Lodges, a report of this character, I am certain, would prove a source of inspiration to us ‘poor de’ls’ of the reportorial guild, and be the means of spreading Masonic news to its own members that would inspire fresh interest among them in the cause of Masonry.”

Our Brother is very liberal in his interpretation of “descended of honest parents,” believing “a man’s a man for a’ that.” In his conclusion, Brother HOWARD touches upon the matter of “the unwelcome speck that has arisen on the horizon,” the withdrawal of fraternal intercourse by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, and

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“from these statements of the parties interested I am certain that the differences between them is not so serious as at first we were led to believe, and that by the aid and counsel of disinterested brethren outside of these jurisdictions matters may be so explained and adjusted that harmony between them will again prevail.”

Pennsylvania for 1908 is well reviewed, mention being made of the views of the places of meeting of our Grand Lodge, and it being stated:

“Great credit is due Brother Julius F. Sachse, Librarian, in thus presenting ‘the evolution of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania.’”

A number of extracts are given from Grand Master ORLADY’S address and decisions, and our report is kindly considered.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 142; initiated, 893; total membership, 13,185, a gain of 595. Receipts, including balance of \$18,287.13, were \$28,980.03; disbursements, \$6,456.84; balance, \$22,523.19.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK WELLS CLARK, of New Martindale, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother HIRAM R. HOWARD, of Point Pleasant, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Western Australia of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons held Quarterly Communications at Freemasons’ Hall, Perth, on October 28, A.D. 1909, January 27, 1910, and the Annual (the fourth Quarterly) on April 28, 1910, the first Quarterly being held at Masonic Hall, Kalgoorlie, on July 22, 1909.

Most Worshipful Brother The Right Reverend CHARLES

OWEN LEAVER RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master.

The Grand Master, who was for the seventh time called to the East by the unanimous vote of his Brethren, and whose portrait we have as the frontispiece, was as faithful and earnest as ever.

From his address at Kalgoorlie, we quote:

"I do not know that it is wise to notice attacks which are made upon us, sometimes even by those in high places. But why a man ought not to be a Governor because he is a Mason passes my comprehension. A Governor represents the King, who was for 25 years Grand Master of England.

"Those who say these things must know that if a man is a true Mason he must be a law-abiding citizen. He must be a citizen, too, of good morals, and more than that, a citizen whose life is to be spent in trying to do good. Surely these are just the men we want, not only to be Governors, but to be in every rank of society.

"Some people wont have anything to do with us. We cannot help that; we have no quarrel with them. We only wish to be allowed to develop our organisation in a quiet, peaceful manner, and believing that in the past, as in the present, and as we hope in the future, Masonry is for the uplifting of the people, and the cementing together of men of divers views on all other matters in one great brotherhood. That at least is a need of the times. That need we are trying to supply."

It reads oddly to have him in his address at the January Quarterly say that he is "convinced that the extremely hot weather we have been experiencing lately has little or no effect on the enthusiasm of our Brethren."

As to membership, he says:

"In 1900 our Grand Lodge was formed with 33 Lodges and a membership of 2,000. To-day there are 88 Lodges

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on the roll—85 of which are working—with a total membership of 3,687, showing a decrease of 59 during the past year.”

Initiated, 207. Receipts, including balance of \$10,450, were \$16,292; disbursements, \$6,727; balance, \$9,565.

During the year, extensive improvements were made in Freemasons' Hall at Perth, and a Library and Museum arranged for.

The report on Correspondence is by the same Committee as last year, Grand Secretary STEVENSON being the Chairman. Brother McCULLUM, in reviewing Pennsylvania, corrects us as to the method of selection:

“Our Committee on Foreign Correspondence is not elected. The Committee was appointed by Grand Lodge some years ago, and holds office continuously. Each member of the Committee reviews a stated number of proceedings, taking those of the same Grand Lodges every year, so that we get as near uniformity as is possible under our present system.”

Brother BATTYE, who was, we note with pleasure, reappointed Deputy Grand Master, tells us under Colorado, that in Western Australia “all Grand Lodge Officers are orators,” which, to quote again an old saying, “is interesting, if true,” as we doubt not it is, having the word of the Deputy Grand Master.

We learn from Brother LEVATER, under Kansas:

“In Western Australia, a brother who has been convicted in a public court of a felony is automatically expelled from the Craft without any preference of charges or form of Masonic trial.”

Under New Hampshire, we quote Brother HUNT, who will find many to agree:

“In his preparatory note he [Brother CHENEY] lays down clearly and well the duties of a Grand Lodge correspondent—to put as much as possible of Grand Lodge into his report and as little of himself. We admit the principle, but doubt whether it is possible to carry it out in its entirety: some things rouse the fighting devil that lurks in the heart of all men—even a Masonic reviewer—and then he must be ‘up and at ‘em.’ For instance, we have a ‘scunner’ against *perpetual jurisdiction, Eastern Stars and Masonic legislation against particular classes of persons*, consequently when we meet any of these there is an irresistible desire in our Celtic heart to hit them hard in the good old Donnybrook fashion.”

Under Oregon, Brother McCULLUM writes interestingly, as follows:

“We take this opportunity to fraternally, but thoroughly, disabuse the minds of all American brethren of any hope that the Eastern Star ‘fad’ is likely to secure a home here. We are thorough believers in the ‘no women’ landmark, and the mere suggestion that Grand Lodges should call off to receive a delegation of Grand Matrons from an unmasonic body, such as the order of the Eastern Star, would be howled down, and if persisted in, would raise a rebellion. For the information of the brethren in this State, we may say that the Androgynous Institution (Institution for both sexes) known as the order of the Eastern Star, was *invented* by Rob Morris in 1855. It consists of five degrees:

- “1. Jephthah’s Daughter, or the daughter’s degree.
- “2. Ruth, or the widow’s degree.
- “3. Esther, or the wife’s degree.
- “4. Martha, or the sister’s degree.
- “5. Electa, or the Christian martyr’s degree.

“It is not only in America that attempts have been made to introduce Androgynous Masonry (Masonry for both sexes).

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“For nearly 200 years attempts have been made from time to time to introduce women into speculative Freemasonry. France has been one of the greatest sinners. About 1730 they introduced what they called ‘Meconnerie d’ Adoption,’ because each female or adoptive Lodge was obliged to be adopted or appended to an ordinary Craft Lodge.

“In Paris, about 1743, was formed ‘L’Order des Felicitaires.’ The name speaks for itself. The female members were supposed to be on a voyage to the Island of Felicity, in ships navigated by the brethren.

“Other similar societies sprang up, and eventually arose the System of Lodges of Adoption. The Grand Orient of France assumed protection of these Lodges about the end of the 18th Century, but I do not know whether any of them now exist. There is in France a system called Co-Masonry, which admits women, and which has no connection with Freemasonry, and is regarded as bogus and disreputable. And so the adoptive Rite has appeared from time to time, wherever brethren have been weak enough to be led away by it, until at last it seems to have settled in America, where our good brethren seem to have a severe attack of the adoptive Rite malady, which, like other fevers, will no doubt take its departure in due time, leaving the patient weak and debilitated.”

We hold that, as ours is a *Fraternity*, therefore——!

The same Brother reviews Pennsylvania for 1908; we make these extracts:

“The brethren of Pennsylvania claim to have the most elaborate and costly Masonic Temple in the western world, entirely free of any debt, so that with a membership of nearly 90,000 and a magnificent Temple fully paid for we hope soon to learn that they have the finest Masonic home on the American continent.”

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“The volume of proceedings contains a series of pictures illustrating the evolution of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania. These illustrations show the meeting place of the Grand Lodge from the time of meeting at the Indian King Tavern in 1735 to the magnificent temple of which our brethren are so justly proud to-day. As well as the exterior of the Temple, the interiors of many of the various halls are shown, and reveal a magnificence of decoration undreamed of in this part of the world.

“That you make your Masonic home as great a success as you have made your Temple, is the greatest good that we can wish the Craft in Pennsylvania.”

We thank our Brother for his wish, and trust we shall make good.

Most Worshipful Brother The Right Reverend C. O. L. RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother J. D. STEVENSON, of Perth, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

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THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Wyoming began its Thirty-sixth Annual Communication in Rock Springs, on Wednesday, September 7, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother BIRNEY H. SAGE, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master gives an account of his labor in a satisfactory way.

A very excellent resolution was adopted directing and empowering the Grand Secretary to gather all facts ascertainable as to the history of Freemasonry in Wyoming, and of

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its Lodges, the sum of five hundred dollars being placed at his disposal for gathering relics, documents, and the like.

An interesting feature of these Proceedings is the portrait of Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL, which we are glad to have; our Brother's portrait will become pleasantly familiar, for we notice it is to be inserted "in the Proceedings for this and all succeeding years."

The portrait of the newly elected and installed Grand Master appropriately forms the frontispiece.

In our reviews of the various Proceedings, we print at the beginning the full name of the Grand Lodge reviewed, as Grand Lodges differ considerably in their usage. In some cases the title "Most Worshipful" is not used at all; in others we find a provision like this, "This Grand Lodge shall hereafter be known by the name and style of 'The Grand Lodge, &c.,'" and at the head of the page upon which these words are found, we note "Constitution of the *M. W.* Grand Lodge, &c."

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, Grand Secretary, and is worthy of his practiced hand (we believe he has been doing this sort of labor for about a quarter of a century).

Our Brother gives his views fully, under Ohio, as to the prerogative of a Grand Master to make a Mason at sight, which prerogative our Brother does not think exists.

Under California, we quote:

"Under the head of Philippine Lodges, the Grand Master discusses at some length matters and conditions connected with the three Lodges in said island, which have been chartered by the Grand Lodge of California, in the course of which it seems he had just discovered that the Grand Orient of Spain, one of the doubtful and shady so-called Masonic bodies of southern Europe, had planted

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so-called Lodges and a Regional Grand Lodge in Pennsylvania. In our report for many years past we have been calling attention to the invasion of Pennsylvania by said Orient, and for that and other evident and potent reasons it was not and, our opinion now is, it never will be entitled to recognition, and we wish it understood in the future as in the past that if a Grand body is for any reason without the pale of recognition that none of its progeny, either in the form of Lodges or individuals, are entitled to recognition by regular Masons or regular Lodges anywhere. This declaration may not suit some of our Brothers who have been going over to France and hobnobbing with French Masons, nor a few others who claim they have an inherent right to recognize any man claiming to be a Mason, notwithstanding their pledge to the contrary. We are further of the opinion that another factor or two outside of native and Spanish Lodges have recently intervened in said islands, which bodes no good for regular Masonry in that country."

Our Brother thinks conferences of Grand Masters should be discouraged; and he seems to feel quite badly that the Grand Masters of the Jurisdictions *west* of the Mississippi were not invited to the Philadelphia Conference, as we understand him; and yet the conclusions of the Philadelphia Conference were unanimously approved at the Baltimore Conference, to which all the Grand Masters in the United States were invited. We may remind our Brother that at first the intention was to limit the number of Grand Masters at the Philadelphia Conference to those in the Jurisdictions in the original thirteen colonies; later the limit was enlarged, and, as a line had to be drawn somewhere, the Mississippi River was fixed upon as a boundary.

In view of Brother KUYKENDALL's remark, under Illinois (*italics ours*) about "this movement" [*i.e.*, to limit jurisdiction, as it is called, to five years] "*emanating*, as it does

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from the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, where said doctrine [*i.e.*, of perpetual jurisdiction], as it is called, is more firmly rooted than anywhere else," we may say that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has not altered its law with regard to what we think should be properly termed "perpetual objection," and we still hold that the fact of a Masonic objection having been established by a ballot in a Lodge, the person against whom that objection stands recorded cannot be received unless and until that objection has been removed; and the fact that such objection has been removed can only be established by a ballot in the same Lodge where its existence was shown.

Pennsylvania for 1909 comes under consideration. We may note an exception to our good Brother's statement that "Dispensations were granted for two new Lodges," and refer him to our remarks under Maine. Our "fine report" is quoted from, our Brother adding to our agreement in doing away with "church parades in regalia" as we are not fond of "show" ourself:

"Yes, and several other good reasons exist why such parades to and from church should be discontinued everywhere."

But our Brother does not state them.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 30; initiated, 181; total membership, 2556, a gain of 156. Receipts, including balance of \$5,492.17, were \$10,017.92; disbursements, \$1,949.20; balance, \$8,068.72.

Most Worshipful Brother HUGH HYND, of Laramie, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, of Saratoga, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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A FEW days before this report was to be presented, we sent to our Grand Secretary a list of the Jurisdictions whose Proceedings had not reached us. He was able to supply a few, but we have not reviewed Arkansas, Costa Rica, Florida, Ireland, Tennessee, Victoria and Wisconsin, because they have not reached us.

The year that has closed has been uneventful for the Craft in general. We are glad to think that there seems to be more than ever a growing feeling that quality, not quantity, is what is to be aimed at in considering petitioners for initiation and membership in our Great Fraternity. So mote it be!

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. LAMBERTON,
Chairman.

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